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2 P.M. 1907.				
17th Aug.	PERSIA	7951		
24th „	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
31st „	* CALEDONIA	7558		
7th Sept.	PENINSULAR	5294	MOLDAVIA	9500
14th „	EGYPT	7912		
21st „	PENINSULAR	5294	INDIA	7911
28th „	MARMORA	10508		
5th Oct.	ORIENTAL	6394	MONGOLIA	9905
12th „	ARABIA	7903		
19th „	ORIENTAL	5294	VICTORIA	6522
26th „	PERSIA	7951		
2nd Nov†	MACEDONIA	10512		
9th „	OCEANA	6610		
16th „	PENINSULAR	5294	MOOLTAN	9621
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FIXED DEPOSITS,
Amounts for 12 months are received at 4½ per cent. and for other periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.
LOANS OVERDRAFTS, & CASH CREDITS,
The Banks grants accommodation on terms to be arranged against approved security.
The Bank undertakes on behalf of its Constituents the safe custody of Shares and Securities and the collection of dividends and interest thereon: they also undertake the sale and purchase of Government Paper and all description of Stocks at moderate charges, particulars of which may be had on application.

H. P. STRINGFELLOW,
Manager

BANKS.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....£ 1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£ 1,125,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£ 562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....£ 562,500
RESERVE FUNDS.....£ 170,000
HEAD OFFICE:
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The Bank of England.
The London Joint Stock Bank.
BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
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The Bank negotiates and collects Bills and grants Drafts payable at its Head Office and Branches, and issues Letters of Credit for the use of Travellers.
The Bank receives Deposits on the following terms:—
CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.
Interest allowed at 2 per cent. on the daily balance if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000. Sums over Rs. 1,00,000 will be received on terms to be ascertained on application.
FIXED DEPOSITS.
Rates for Fixed deposits for 12 months and shorter period to be ascertained on application.
The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares, and receives same for safe custody, realising interest and dividends when due.

JAMES MURDOCH,
ESPLANADE ROAD BOMBAY *Manager.*

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL..... Yen 24,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... „ 21,000,000
ORDINARY RESERVE FUND... „ 11,050,000
SPECIAL RESERVE for SILVER FUND ..... „ 1,000,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND ..... „ 2,800,000
HEAD OFFICE:—YOKOHAMA.
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LIBERAL INTEREST allowed on CURRENT Accounts.
FIXED DEPOSITS on terms to be learnt on application
CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
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Manager
Albert Buildings,
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Karachi.	Kwala Lumpor	Shanghai.
Calcutta.	Bangkok.	Tientsin.
Madras.	Batavia.	Hankow.
Rangoon.	Soerabaya.	Yokohama.
Colombo	Manilla.	Kobe.
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Thaiping (Perak).	Hongkong.	
Ipoh (Perak).		

THE CORPORATION grant DRAFTS on the above Agencies and Branches, and also on the Principal Commercial Cities throughout the world; buy and receive for collection BILLS OF EXCHANGE; issue TRAVELLING LETTERS OF CREDIT; and undertake general Banking Business of every description.
CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.—Interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on the minimum Monthly Balances if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000, but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half yearly.
Amounts above Rs. 1,00,000 will be received on terms which may be ascertained upon application.
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, STOCKS, and SHARES bought and sold on account of clients, and also received for safe custody and collection of Interest and Dividends when due.
FIXED DEPOSITS are received for twelve months and shorter periods at rates to be ascertained on application.
OFFICE HOURS—10-30 A.M. to 4 P.M.
Saturdays—10-30 A.M. to 2 P.M.

J. GREIG,
ESPLANADE ROAD, BOMBAY. *Agent.*

ALLIANCE BANK OF SIMLA, LD.

CAPITAL (Paid up) .....Rs. 15,00,000
RESERVE FUND (in Government Paper) .....Rs. 21,00,000
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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and interest allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 500 up to Rs. 1,00,000 but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half yearly.
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BANKING BUSINESS of every description transacted.
CURRENT and FIXED DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS opened free of charge, and Interest allowed thereon. Terms may be ascertained on application
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PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

THE RACE SPECIAL TRAINS will, subject to the usual conditions, run from Victoria Terminus to Poona and back on SATURDAY, the 17th August, 1907, at the usual Timings, namely :—

2nd Class Special, departure at 11-25,
1st Class Special, departure at 12.

J. N. HAWKINS,
for Ag. General Traffic Manager.

BOMBAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1907.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS are invited by 1 o'clock on WEDNESDAY, the 21st August, 1907, for CONSTRUCTING SERVANTS' QUARTERS and TIFFIN ROOM in the Compound of the Small Causes Court, Bombay. Value of the work will be about Rs. 2,000.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Undersigned. The Executive Engineer reserves the right to reject all or any tender, and no reason will be given for the acceptance or the rejection of all or any tender.

E. M. PROES, A. M. I. C. E.,
Executive Engineer Presidency.

BOMBAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1907.

THE EMPEROR EDWARD SPINNING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Interim Dividend of Rs. 30 (thirty) only per Share for the Half-year ended the 30th June 1907, will be paid on production of the Certificates, at the Registered Office of the Company, Nos. 7-14 Elphinstone Circle, on and after MONDAY, the 26th instant between 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. (Bombay Time), to Shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on the 21st instant.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st to 31st instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
For the EMPEROR EDWARD SPG. & MFG. Co., LD.,
B. D. PETIT SONS & Co.,
Agents.

BOMBAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1907.

LA MARTINIERE COLLEGE,
LUCKNOW,
AND
LA MARTINIERE GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL,
KHURSHAED MUNZIL,
LUCKNOW,

WILL RE-OPEN ON THE 15TH OCTOBER.

FOR PROSPECTUS APPLY TO THE SECRETARY,
LA MARTINIERE COLLEGE, LUCKNOW.

THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PORT OF CALCUTTA.

ISSUE OF RS. 25 LAKHS FOUR PER CENT. DEBENTURES REPAYABLE IN THIRTY YEARS.

TENDERS are invited for A LOAN of 25 LAKHS of RUPEES upon DEBENTURES bearing interest at 4 per cent. per annum, to be issued under the provisions of Act III B. C., of 1890, to provide funds for the purposes of carrying out certain works connected with the Port of Calcutta sanctioned by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, which Loan, and the interest thereon, will be a charge on the property of the Commissioners, and of the tolls, dues, rates, rents and charges leviable under the Calcutta Port Act.

2. The Debentures will be for sums of Rs. 100 each, or multiples of Rs. 100 as may be desired, made payable to order and carrying interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum payable half yearly on the 4th day of March and the 4th day of September, at the Bank of Bengal, upon presentation of the Debentures. The first payment of interest will be made on the 4th March 1908.

3. Provision will be made for a sinking fund for such an amount, invested half-yearly, as will be sufficient to liquidate the debt in thirty years.

4. Two per cent. of the amount tendered for to be paid at the Commissioners' Office, and the balance on the 4th day of September 1907, from which date interest will run. The deposit of two per cent. will be returned if an allotment be not made, and it will be forfeited if an allotment, after being made, be not fully taken up by the 14th day of September, 1907. In case a less number of debentures is allotted than is applied for, the excess of the deposit will be applied in, or towards payment of the balance due upon such number as may be allotted.

5. Tenders, made out in forms to be obtained at the Commissioners' Office and from the Bank of Bengal, Head Office or Branches, will be received by the Secretary to the Commissioners up to 2 P.M. on MONDAY, the 26th day of August 1907, accompanied by a receipt from the Bank of Bengal or the Secretary to the Commissioners for the deposit abovenamed. A separate tender should be made for each rate offered.

6. The Tenders will be opened by the Commissioners in Meeting, on Monday, the 26th day of August, 1907.

H. J. HILARY,
Secretary.

DATED THE 12TH AUGUST, 1907.

FORM OF TENDER.

TO THE SECRETARY,

TO the COMMISSIONERS for the PORT of CALCUTTA.

I/We the Undersigned hereby apply for.....
Debentures of Rs.....each of the above issue in the terms of the advertisement published by you, dated the.....1907, and I/We send herewith a receipt for Rs.....being 2 per cent. deposit on the par value of the Debentures, and I/We undertake to accept the same or any less number the Commissioners may allot to me/us and to make the full payment in respect thereof to the Bank of Bengal on or before the 14th day of September 1907.

The amount I/We undertake to pay for these Debentures is Rs.....per cent.

Signature .....
Address .....
Dated .....1907.

* The deposit may also be sent with the tender in half currency notes,

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY COMPANY.
(INCLUDING INDIAN MIDLAND SECTION).

TENDERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF SECOND-HAND MATERIAL AND UNSERVICEABLE STORES, RAIL PIECES, CAST AND WROUGHT IRON, STEEL TYRES AND WHEELS, SCRAP, HARD AND SOFT BRASS SCRAP AND SCRAP OF BOILERS, Etc., Etc., Etc.

THE AGENT is prepared to receive Tenders at his Office, Victoria Terminus, Bombay, up to 1 P.M. (Standard Time), on WEDNESDAY, the 28th August, 1907, for the PURCHASE of above, which can be seen on application to the Company's Wharf Superintendent, Wadi Bunder, to the Assistant Storekeeper, Jhansi, and to the Manager Mohpani Coal Mines, Mohpani

2. TENDERS.—These must be made out on the Company's authorised forms, which can be had on application to the Undersigned at his Office, on payment of Re. 2 per copy.

3. TERMS.—The sum of Rs. 2 0 must accompany each Tender as a guarantee of good faith in due fulfilment of contract, failure, in which shall entail the forfeiture of the deposit without the Railway having to prove any loss by the transaction. Only Cash, Currency Notes or Government Promissory Notes will be received, as deposits, and, if the latter, they must be endorsed in favour of "The Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company or order."

4. PAYMENT.—To be made to the Company's Cashier, Bombay, on receipt of the acceptance of the offer.

5. NOTE.—The Agent does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.

6. APPLICANTS are requested not to Tender for more material than they are able to pay for and remove within one month from the date of acceptance of Tender.

G. R. WEBB,
General Storekeeper.

GENERAL STOREKEEPER'S OFFICE,
PAREL, 1ST AUGUST, 1907.

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

POSTAL ADDRESSES.

Extract from Postal Notice, dated July 15th, 1907 :—

"To ensure the early delivery of correspondence all persons are earnestly requested, in giving their addresses to their correspondents, both in India and other countries, or in having their addresses printed at the head of their stationery, to adopt one or other of the following forms of address as their postal address :—

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THE DAVID MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an ADINTERIM DIVIDEND at the Rate of Rs. 20 per share, free of Income Tax, has been declared for the half year ending 30th June, 1907, payable at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 7, Esplanade Road, on and after MONDAY, the 26th August, 1907, between 11-30 A.M., and 3-30 P.M. to Shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on the 13th August 1907, on production of their Share Certificates.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED, from the 14th to 27th August, 1907, both days inclusive.

By Order,
SASSOON J. DAVID & CO.,
Agents.

BOMBAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1907.

THE STANDARD MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Ad-interim DIVIDEND at the Rate of Rs. 50 per Share of Rs. 500 and Rs. 12-8 per quarter Share of Rs. 125, free of income-tax, has been declared for the half year ending 30th June, 1907, payable at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 7, Esplanade Road, on and after MONDAY, the 26th August, 1907, between 11-30 A.M. and 3-30 P.M., to Share holders whose names stand on the Company's Register on the 13th August, 1907, on production of their Share Certificates.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from both days inclusive.

By Order,
SASSOON J. DAVID & CO.,
Agents.

BOMBAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1907.

THE SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

TENDERS are invited and will be received up to MONDAY, the 23rd September, 1907, for the SUPPLY of MINERAL OIL, for Lubricating purposes required during the year commencing from 1st January, 1908.

2. Tenders must be submitted on printed forms of Tenderer's Schedule, which can be obtained from the STOREKEEPER, Hubli.

3. The Company's specification and conditions under which the contract will be let is attached to each form of Tenderer's Schedule. Any further information required can be obtained from the Storekeeper, Hubli.

4. Tenders should be addressed to the Agent, S. M. Railway, Dharwar, in sealed covers superscribed "Tenders for Mineral Oil."

5. The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

6. The Tenders will be opened in the Office of the Agent of the S. M. Railway Company, at Dharwar, on TUESDAY, the 24th September 1907, at noon.

AGENT'S OFFICE,
DHARWAR, 8TH AUGUST, 1907.

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THURS.,	29th "	—The Idler.
FRID.,	30th "	—The Admirable Crighton.
SATUR.,	31st "	—The Silver King.
MOND.,	2nd Sept.	—The Liars.
TUES.,	3rd "	—Lady Windermere's Fan.
WEDN.,	4th "	—The Sign of the Cross.
THURS.,	5th "	—The Intervener.
FRID.,	6th "	—Charley's Aunt.
SATUR.,	7th "	—Are You a Mason.
MOND.,	9th "	—East Lynn.
TUES.,	10th "	—The Professor's Love Story.
WEDN.,	11th "	—His House in Order.
THURS.,	12th "	—The Private Secretary.
FRID.,	13th "	—Sherlock Holmes.
SATUR.,	14th "	—The Three Musketeers.
MOND.,	16th "	—Lord and Lady Algy.

Time and prices as usual.
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BY SPECIAL REQUEST,
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Plan of Hall and Tickets at Soundy and Co.'s, Hornby Road.

SALES BY AUCTION.

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ACTION SALE of Very Valuable Plated Ware Suitable for Presentation.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 17th instant at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.) Messrs. Bennett & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms :—

An invoice of best plated ware by Roe and Baron, consisting of cruet stands, tea sets, butter pots, jewel boxes, powder boxes baking dish, butter dishes, etc. The above is now on view.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured pieces goods, etc.,

By order of the Chief Presidency Magistrate, the following unclaimed articles, such as gold rings, silver buttons with chain, gold embroidery, pieces of chintz, cotton handkerchiefs, metal watch, wearing apparels, dhotars, sari, brass-hinges, etc., etc.

AT 2 P. M. (S.T.),

1 second-hand rubber-tyred victoria, in good order.
1 handsome strong rubber-tyred palanquin office-shigbram, in very good order.
1 second-hand glass fronted miniature brougham, in good order, colour grey Arab horse, 14-2, young, goes well in harness.
1 bay pony, quiet in harness and saddle.
1 grey Arab, quiet in harness.
1 waler pony gelding goes well in harness and saddle, believed sound.
1 handsome strong bay waler cob, sound, 15 hands 6 years, goes well in harness.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE JEWELLERY.

Pursuant to the Decree, dated the 1st July, 1907, made in suit No. 118 of 1907 (Jobarimal Samirwal vs. Kisanchand Kamsyalal), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on MONDAY, the 19th instant, at 2 p.m. (S. T.), sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a large lot of gold, diamond, pearl and ruby jewellery consisting of diamond and ruby lockets, ruby "goswalla," diamond and ruby rings, loose pearls, ruby ornament called "watbala," ornament set with emeralds called "tavra," loose emeralds, opals and rubies, and a large pearl called "soojim "about 300 chows, etc., etc.

The above is now on view.

AUCTION SALE of the Brass and Iron foundery known by the name of the Vulcan Works at Forss Road Byculla.

Under instructions from the Acting Official Assignee of Bombay and Assignee of the Estate and Effects of Robert Dyer, an insolvent, and with the consent of Mr. James Bulkey, the mortgagee, the undersigned will sell by Public Auction (provided the same is not previously disposed of by private contract), at No. 100 Forss Road Byculla, Bombay, on SATURDAY the 31st instant, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.),

All the beneficial interest and good will of the above-named insolvent in the business of Engineers Brass and Iron Founders, and all the plant machinery, stock in trade article and effects in or about the manufactory situate at 100 Forss Road aforesaid and known by the name of 'The Vulcan Works'. Private offers for the purchase of the above premises will be received by the Undersigned.

For further particulars and conditions of sale applications should be made to Messrs. Thakordas & Co. the attorneys for the Acting Official Assignee and to the Undersigned.

BENNETT & Co.

BOMBAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1907.

MESSRS. B. MITCHAL & CO., AUCTIONEERS, 24 MEDOW STREET.

Are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Rooms, in Medow Street, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at 2 p. m., household furniture, consisting of sofas, chairs, dining, dressing, washing and writing tables, ottoman double and single iron bedsteads, with and without mirror door, almyrahs, chest-of-drawers, large and small gilded China jars, fancy pictures, a mechanical toys, rare and old chinaware. Photographic Camera with lens hanging and table lamps incubator (40 eggs) and a Gent's bicycle, etc., etc.

N. B.—Gentlemen desirous of disposing of their furniture, jewellery, landed properties, &c., by Private sale, we shall do the same at a very moderate charge and also will fetch good prices.

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Bombay, 24th June, 1907.

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The vacant land, case No. 241 and 243, Street Nos. 9-21 and 4-5 : 38-39 Dharamsy Street, and Junction of Baloo Street and Dharamsy Street.

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THE B. I. S. N Company's steamer Bezwada 3270 tons Captain H. Carey will sail to-day for Calcutta in ballast.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Urlana 3383 tons Captain C. Cocklaw sailed yesterday for Calcutta in ballast.

THE steamer Madagascar 179 tons Captain M. Roullor sailed yesterday for Genoa with a general cargo.

THE F. Rubattino S. N. Company's steamer R. Rubattino 2687 tons Captain G. Tanca sailed yesterday for Genoa &c. with a general cargo and passengers. The list of which appeared in our yesterday's issue.

THE Messageries Maritimes Company's steamer Oceanien 4269 tons Captain G. Magnew, arrived in harbour yesterday from Marseilles with a general cargo and passengers.

THE Committee of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce have decided that Wednesday, 14th August should be regarded as a Full Weather Working Day for Vessels in the Prince's and Victoria Docks.

MEN-OF-WAR & ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

IN GOVT. DOCKYARD.

R I M S Hardinge ....Comdr G A Rose ..... R I Marine
R I M S Margarita ....Capt W L Kelly ..... Pearl Fishery
R I M S Investigator ....Capt W G Beauchamp ..... R I Marine
R I M S Dufferin ....Comdr H S Black ..... R I Marine
R I M S Northbrook ....N J F Wilson ..... R I. Marine
R I M S Palinurus ....Capt Holloway ..... Survey Boat
Three Torpedo Boats ..... Royal Navy
R I M S Minto ..... Lt Comdr Hardern ..... R I Marine

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—August 15

Bhundara	2315 Brocd	M M & Co
Bezwada	3270 Carey	M M & Co
Capri	3781 Belsito	F & R S N Co
Hild	717 Salvesin	F F Campbell & Co
Hydra	831 Kirseborn	F F Campbell & Co
Inverugie	3401 Clarkson	Corry Bros
Ipswich	813 Wallace	Shah S N Co
Kasara	804 Chappel	M M & Co
Lord Kelvin	3158 Mason	W & A G & Co
Masagon	3822 Powell	P & O Co
Nizam	3041 McLennan	T Morrison & Co
Oulpenta	3420 Hill	M M & Co
Peninsular	3919 Palmer	Aden 24-8 P & O Co
Querimba	4937 Smith	M M & Co
Rydal Hall	3135 Fraser	K Nixon & Co
Shahzor	3763 Foster	Shah S N Co
Shahishan	3566 Davison	Shah S N Co
Shah Najam	3751 Davison	Shah S N Co
Waroonga	1499 Bamber	P Gulf M M & Co
Warora	2565 Rorbach	M Mackenzie & Co
Wensleydale	3538 Seaton	W & A G & Co
Xema	446 Mohamad	K'chi N F The Shah S N Co

VESSELS IN DOCK—August 15.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agents.
A	Kageshima Maru	3372	Arakawa	Kobe	17-8	N Y Kaisha
G & B	Dinbigh Hall	2311	Bowse	Liverpool	18 8	K Nixon & Co
D & E	Delta	4779	Daniel	Shanghai	21-8	P & O Co
K	Othello	3337	Bradley	Hull	22-8	F Moir & Co
M	Calsiolaria	3329	Tocque	London	31-8	P & O Co
N	Urlana	3383	Cole	Calcutta	15-8	M M & Co
O	Somali	1627	Tunon	Zbar	15-8	A Strandes
P	Lindenhall	3596	Sherlock	London	17-8	W & A G & Co
Q	Madagascar	1693	Roullier	Genoa	15-8	J M & Co

H W P D

Bahadur	829	Fakeera	M'Gon		17-8	Bo S N Co
Courland	760	Ehr hin	N F	Repairing	Bo S N Co	
Satrunji	547	Hoosein	K'chi		16-9	Bo S N Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1	Circassia	4315	Haig	Lpool	27-8	W & A G & Co
3	Commodore	2913	Bose	Hull	24-8	W & A G & Co
4	Clan Menzies	1693	Rolford	Port Said	17-8	F Moir & Co
6	Clan Cameron	1297	Cowie	Chittagong	8-8	F Moir & Co
6	Culna	2963	Macfarlane	Antwerp	13-8	M M & Co
8	Ischia	2764	Francisco	Shanghai	17-8	R & S N Co
10 & 11	Peshawar	4884	Lockstone	London	16-8	P & O Co
13	Persia	4 98	Haughton	London	17-8	P & O Co
14	Lhasa	926	McDiarmid	K'chi	16-8	M M & Co
15	Kettenturm	3213	Volkmann	H'burg	15-8	Glade & Co
16	Nankin	1944	Davidson	Busreh	19-8	M M & Co

Off Side.

Q Terrier	1028	Nilsen			17-8	F F Campbell & Co
F Mahanadi	547	Ahmed		Repairing	Bo S N Co	

M W D D

H Hoseinee	963	Jenkins	Mauritius		17-8	B & P S N Co

ARRIVAL.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
15	Oceanien s	Magnen	Marseilles, July 31

DEPARTURES.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
15	J B Aug Kessler s	Busen	Aroe Bay
	Dumra s	Hirst	Persian Gulf, &c
	Olympia s	Osborne	Liverpool &c
	Lichtenfels	Walldorff	Hamburg, &c
	R Rubattino s	Tanca	Genoa, &c
	Madagascar s	Roullier	Genoa
	Crisna s	Voeklin	Calcutta

The steamer Bezwada, carry for Calcutta, obtained her port-clearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—
Steamer Hild, for Singapore, &c.
" Kasara, for Persian Gulf, &c.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Aug	Vessel.	From
6	Oronsay	Liverpool
7	Herculaneum	Calcutta
10	Clan Mackay	Coast
13	Pelamcotta	Negapatam
12	Flamingo	Calcutta
14	Camberwell	London

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

13	Pentakota	Rangoon
14	Gisela	Trieste
14	Nursni	Calcutta
15	Nizam	Bombay
28	Wakamiya Maru	Penang
29	Umkuzi	Calcutta

The dates are approximate only.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Aug.	Vessels.	Names	From
11	Dilwara	D Macfadyen	London
	Glengoy Apcar	S H Belson	Hongkong
	Glenduhu	E Taylor	Aden
	Mahla	G S Jones	Rangoon
12	Fulwell	J C Douglas	Madras
	City of Madrid	W Knaut	Liverpool
	Dupleix	G Melber	Pondicherry
	Perlak	J Offerhaus	Sumatra
	Shah Nazir	G C Grant	Bombay

DEPARTURES.

13	Lankdale	W R Kidd	WCS American
	Loodiana	H Chidley	Bombay

DAILY EXPORTS.—AUGUST 15.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Circassia s—25 bales wool, Allen Bros and Co ; 28 bales cotton waste Cassinath Sons and Co ; 50 bales cotton, G Tejpal and Co ; 8,000 cwt myrabollams, G Madhowji and Co,

FOR LONDON.

Persia s—4,000 cwt mussor, Louis Dreyfus and Co ; 20 cwts beeswax, Noor M Jaffer and Co ; 30 bales hemp, E Comersey ; 63 cwt gum, P Jethabhoy and Co.

FOR HULL.

Commodore s—1,000 cwts castorseed, K Nixon and Co ; 310 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.
Othello s—3,625 cwts myrabollams, A Khimji.

FOR ROTTERDAM.

Othello s—15 bales twist H M Mehta and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Linden Hall s—4,000 cwt wheat bran, W and A Graham and Co ; 55 bales cottonfly, Sorabji Framjee and Co ; 1,607 cwts linseed Ralli Bros ; 100 bales cotton, M Peerbhoy ; 50 bales twist N Khairaz and Co.
Culna s—240 cwt castorseed, Worman and Co ; 2.001 cwt rapeseed, 2,002 cwt mowraseed, E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Kattenturn s—165 bales cotton, The New Mofussil Co ; 9 cwt dryseeds, Bertie Smith and Co ; 12 bales hemp Purshotam Bhimjee.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Olympia s—2,000 cwts mowraseed, 2,009 cwts linseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR BARCELONA.

Circassia s—100 bales cotton, J A Begbie and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Ischia s—100 bales twist, C Bhawanidas ; 500 bales twist, M M Ezrabhoy.
Kageshima Maru s—100 bales twist David Sassoon and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI

Kageshima Maru s— 256 bales twist, P Petit and Co.
Delta s—125 bales twist, Framji Sons and Co ; 100 bales twist, C Bomonji and Co.

FOR KOBE.

Ischia s—50 bales cotton, Fleming Shaw and Co.
Delta s—107 bales Cotton, Dinshaw D Curranee and Co.

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury, Calcutta, 15th Aug. 1907.

The Weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury :—

Amount to be remitted during 1907-8	£ 18,100,000
Remitted from 1st April 1907 to 10th Aug. 1907	
By Council Bills	£ 8,441,221
By Gold	Nil
Balance to be remitted from 11th Aug. 1907 to 31st March 1908	£ 8,758,779

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, *August* 14.] [BOMBAY, *August* 15.

FINANCIAL.

		Rates.	Fluc.	Minus.
2½ per cent.	Consols	81 13/16		1/16
3	do. Rentes	94 1/3	un	chgd
3½	do. Sterling Loan	97 3/4	1/16	
3½	do. Govt. Securities	84 9/16	un	chgd
Bar Silver in London		33 1/8	7/8	
Do.	do. 2 months' hence	33 3/8	15/16	
Do.	in New York	69 1/2	1 5/8	
Exchange on London at Paris		25/15	1/2	
Do.	do. do. Berlin.	20-48 2/4	1/4	
Do.	do. do. New York.	4 86 5/8	1/8	25 Apl
Discount Bank of England Rate.		4o/o	Since	
Do.	Short London Bills,	4 1/o/o	un	chgd
Do.	3 months' sight	4½	un	chgd
Do.	Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sght			
Do.	3 Months' Fine Trade Bills	4½	un	chgd
Do.	6 Months' Fine Trade Bills	5¼	un	chgd
Interest Day-to-day Loans		2½	un	chgd
Do. 7-day Market Loans		2½	un	chgd

Amount paid into the Bank of England £ 100,000.
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate)... 1s. 3 29/32d. unchgd,

Council Bills :—
At the Periodical Biddings for Council Bills on India to-day for Rs. 35,00,000—

Rs.	18,80,000	were allotted to Calcutta.
"	10,50,000	" " to Bombay.
"	5,80,000	" " to Madras.
Rs.	34,90,000	at 1s. 4 1/32d.

Average rate of allotment Calcutta and Bombay 16·03.
Total amount of Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening, including last Public Sales ... ... Rs. 40,10,000
Amount to be allotted next week... Rs. 30,00,000
EXTRA ALLOTMENTS :—
Bills on Calcutta...Rs. 20,000 at 1s. 4 1/16d.

COTTON.

Liverpool :—

Spots	... ...	Fair business.
Futures	... ...	Quiet
East Indian	... ...	Steady
Manchester	... ...	Steady
Total Sales	... ...	10,000 bales.
Sold on Speculation and for Export		500 "
Imports	... ...	3,000 "
Mid-Americans	... ...	7·23+08 "
Egyptian F.G.F. Brown	... ...	10½ unchgd

Future Delivery prices :—

Aug.-Sep.	Sep.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
6·61 +02	6·60 +02	6·65 +02	6·62 +02
Dec.-Jan.	**Jan.-Feb.**	**Feb.-Mar.**	**Mar.-Apl**
6·61 +02	6·60 +02	6·60 +02	6·61 +02
Apr.-May.			
6 62 +02			

New York—

Receipts at U. S. Ports	...	1,000 bales.
Do. do. last year	...	5,000 "
Exports to Great Britain	...	.....
Do. to Continent	...	.....

Spot Cotton.—13·25—05.

Futures.—Month of Dec. 12·00—17 unchanged.

Do. do. March 12·19—17.

Declined owing to bear pressure bulls unloading and to official weather report being considered favourable,

New Orleans :—
Spot Cotton—12 7/8 unchanged.
Futures—Month of October 12·21—21
Do. do. of Dec. 12·18—21
Closing Tone of Futures.—Quiet.

WHEAT.

Red Karachi—34½ New Terms—September-October—Seller—Canal.
Tone of Wheat.—Quiet.

SEEDS.

Rapeseed :—
Tone of Rapeseed.—Dull.

Linseed :—
Bombay per 416 lbs., ex-ship 44 3/4, Aug.-Sept.—Antwerp—Sellers Canal.
Tone of Linseed—Dull.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Coffee—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality), 6¼ unchanged,

Rubber—
Para Rubber 4s./9½d Sellers.

ARRIVALS :—" Clan Alpine,"

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Vessel.	Importer.
	Rs.			
2 Bundles Rupees	4,000	Bushire.	Dumra.	Mack Mackenzie and Co, A M Meer.
1 Bundle Sovereigns.	6,750	Busreh	Dumra.	
Rupees	750			
1 Bundle Sovereigns.	12,900	Bagdad.	Dumra.	A. Shawhoo.
Gold Coins	1,415			
Rupees	3,000			

BOMBAY MARKETS.

THURSDAY EVENING.] [15TH AUGUST, 1907.

FINANCIAL.

Bank Rates—

Bank of England	... 4 per cent. from 25th April.
Bank of Bengal	..... 3 per cent. " 25th July.
Bank of Bombay	..... 3 per cent. " 1st Aug.
Bank of Madras	..... 4 per cent. " 9th July.

Money :—
The Bank of Bombay Cash balance is Rs. 1 lac down.

Exchange :—
The Market opened unchanged to-day at 1/4 T. T., 1s. 4 1/32d. on demand, and 1s. 4 9/32d. for 3 months' sight credits. There has been a moderate enquiry for Bank bills for the mail which has been met so far at 1s. 4 1/32d., but before the close some Banks refused to sell at better than 1/4. Credits are scarce at 1s. 4 9/32d. 3 months' sight, but on the other hand few bills are offered for near delivery. Far Eastern rates are firm.

We quote :—

T. T. on London	... ...	1s. 4d.
Demand Draft	... ...	1s. 4 1/32d.
Credits— 3 months' sight		1s. 4 9/32d.
Do. 6 months' sight		1s. 4 1/2d.
Do. 2 months' sight—France		170 1/4
Do. 2 months' sight—Marks.		139
Hongkong—30 days' sight	...	165
Yokohama—30 days' sight	...	150
Shanghai— 30 days' sight	...	225 1/2

Government Paper :—
The Market opened unchanged at Rs. 97 11/16 for ready and Rs. 96 9/16 for the settlement. Only a trifling business has been reported the market closing with sellers at opening quotations. Calcutta rates are also unchanged as under.

We quote :—

Cash	... ...	Rs. 96·11 } sellers.
1st Settlement	... ...	" 96·9 }

Bullion :—
The London Bar Silver market on Wednesday took an extraordinary jump up, ready bars being 3/4 better at 32 1/4, and for two months' delivery the closing quotation was 7/8 up at 32 3/8. New York improved 1 5/8 cents to 69 1/2. Locally the market has been firmer, the quotation for ready bars opening at 81 9/16 ex-duty but ultimately closing at 81 7/16. Forward quotations are given below. Bar gold is steady.

We quote :—

	Rs	A.	P
English Bar Gold	24	1	0
Australian Bar Gold	24	0	0
Bombay Bar Gold	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns	15	9	0
English Dragon-Sovereigns	15	9	0
Silver ex Duty—Ready	81	7	0
Ditto 1st Settlement	81	5	0
Ditto 2nd "	81	5	0

COTTON.

Market Report :—
The drop in prices in America has reacted here and rates for forward delivery are Rs. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy lower. Only a small business has been done as exporters are holding off and in the bazaar there is little speculation at present.
There is some demand by shippers for old crop, and mills have been operating a little more freely. The turn-over at Colaba shows a slight improvement.
The market closes quiet as under.

NEW CROP.

QUOTATIONS :—

	Rs.	Delivery
Fine M. G. Broach	373	March 08
Good M. G. Broach	360½	"
Fine " Nagpur Kampti	235	Jany. 08
" " Damangaum Poolgaum	227	"
" " Khangaum, Akola	219	"
Fine " Amraoti	219	"
Fine " Muttia	208	"
F.G.M.G. Khandesh	199	"
Fine M. G. "	208	"
" " Bengals	202/6	"
F.G.H.G. Bengals	194 1/2	"

OLD CROP.

Good Westerns	373/4	August
Good Saw Ginned Dharwar	245	"

Liverpool Opener :—

Opening Tone	... ...	Easier.
Estimated Sales	... ...	7,000 bales.
Total Imports	... ...	... ...

Future Delivery Prices :—

Feb.-March	Mar.-Apr.	Apr.-May	Aug.-Sept.
6·54	6·55	6·57	6·78
—06		—05	
Sept.-Oct.	**Oct.-Nov.**	**Nov.-Dec.**	**Dec.-Jan.**
6·63	6·59	6·57	6·55
—06		—05	
Jan.-Feb.			
6·54			
—06			

MISCELLANEOUS.

Linseed :—
The market is easier and prices are giving way. We quote as follows :—

Ready	... ...	Rs. 7 6 0 B. T.
September	... ...	" 7 13 0 R. T.

Rapeseed :—
Is also easier, and business has been done at the following rates :—

Brown Cawnpore	... ...	Rs. 9 2 0
Yellow Gurerat	... ...	" 10 1 0

Gingellyseed :—
The market is steadier but there is little business passing. We quote :—

Bold White 85 p. c.	Rs.	50 0 0 Dec. Jan.
" 75 p. c.	Rs.	49 0 0 "
Black Kutni	Rs.	44 0 0 "

Poppyseed :—

	Rs.	10 5 0

Tone—fair.

Castorseed :—

Rs.	38 0 0 to Rs.	38 8 0

Tone—steady.

Cottonseed :—

	Rs.	20 0 0

Tone—quiet.

Mowraseed :—

	Rs.	5 6 0

Tone—weak.

Wheat :—
The market is quiet with little doing, and we quote :—

White Delhi Aug.-Sept.	...	Rs. 5 4 6
New White Delhi April-May	...	" 5 1 0

THE SHARE MARKET.

Banks :—

Bombay	... ...	1,395 1/2
India	... ...	65
Indian Specie Bank	...	Rs. 8 1/2 Premium.

Mills :—

Century	... ...	1,725
David	... ...	472 1/2
Manekji Petit	... ...	3,460

Presses :—

Breul's Cawnpore	...	220
Hingoli	... ...	137
Khangaum	... ...	415

Miscellaneous :—

Badham Pile and Co.	... ...	125
Bombay Flour Mill	... ...	990
Colaba Land and Mill	... ...	1,140

Railways :—

Ahmedabad Prantej	... ...	550
Tapti Valley	... ...	460

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p. m. yesterday :—

Cotton	... ...	2,449 bales.
Wheat	... ...	2,036 cwts.
Linseed	... ...	474 "
Rapeseed	... ...	2,284 "
Gingellyseed	... ...	nil "
Poppyseed	... ...	468 "
Groundnuts	... ...	225 "
Castorseed	... ...	2,589 "
Rice	... ...	598 "
Myrabollams	... ...	nil "
Cottonseed	... ...	4,264 "
Mowraseed	... ...	6,081 "
Gram	... ...	72 "
Joowar	... ...	1,815 "
Maize	... ...	nil "

ATTEMPT TO CHEAT THE PAPER CURRENCY OFFICE.

AT the Esplanade Police Court, Bombay, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Sub-Inspector Pettigara, of the Criminal Investigation Department, charged Karim Mulji, a Khoja furniture maker, with attempting to cheat the Paper Currency Office with respect to two currency notes of Rs. 100 each, and Ebrahim Karim Mulji his son, with abetment. Inspector Sullivan prosecuted ; while Mr. D. B. Binning, Barrister-at-Law, with Mr. DeSouza and Mr. DeQuadros pleaders, defended the accused. The case for the prosecution was that on the 10th May 1906, one Sakharam Mansaram, of Sutar Chawl, Bombay, received from the firm of Chandulal Virchand at Sangli two halves of Rs. 100 each. An acknowledgment having been sent to Sangli, a letter was sent to Bombay informing Sakharam that the other two halves of the notes had also been forwarded. As Sakharam did not receive them he sent the first halves to the Paper Currency Office and presented his claim on the 5th June 1906. Subsequently orders were passed by the authorities at the Currency Office for the payment of the amount claimed by Sakharam. On the 1st November 1906, the two accused went to the Currency Office, and the first accused presented the other two halves of the same notes and made a claim for the amount. The necessary declarations were made and attested to by both the accused. An inquiry was then set on foot, and the present proceedings were instituted. Some evidence having been recorded, further hearing of the case was adjourned.

IT appears that one of the striking features of the tea industry at the present time is the extraordinary demand for tea dust, which has risen smartly in price. The powder has in fact become so profitable that the gardens are almost tempted to treat the leaf in such a way as to increase the amount of waste. In ordinary circumstances, care is taken to manufacture with as little dust as possible. The cause of the demand is the call for brick tea, which is manufactured from dust. Can it be that the Tibetans are getting thirstier, or have they simply discovered that Indian dust yields a thicker and more pungent pudding than the China brick ?

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE for ANNOUNCEMENTS of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS, and MEMORIAM NOTICES which must be authenticated by the name and address of the senders, is Re. 1 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

KILGOUR—August 8, at Kasauli, the wife of Lieut. H. F. Kilgour, S. and T. Corps, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

TOBIN—STUTZ—August 10, at St. Matthias's Church, Vepery, by the Rev. H. Atkins (by license), Assistant Surgeon William Patrick Tobin, I.S.M.D., to Rose Constance, youngest daughter of Mr. P. N. Stutz, of Madras.

EZEKIEL—KELLY—August 11, at Magben David Synagogue, Calcutta, by the Rev. A.E.Y. Subhay, David Ezekiel, to Miss Rosalind Moses Kelly. (Calcutta and Shanghai papers, please copy.)

BRISCOE—BLACK—August 10, at Christ's Church, Cawnpore, by the Rev. A. Crosthwaite, Charles Thomas Briscoe of Chittagong, to Mary Theresa Black of Aberdeen, Scotland.

DEATHS.

FOTHERINGHAM—August 9, at Vizianagram, Joan Lilian, elder daughter of Alexander and Lily Fotheringham, aged 2 years and 9 months.

MACALISTER—August 13, at Madras, Captain Robert Walter MacAlister, P. W. D., aged 56 years.

BALFOUR—August 6, at Lucknow, on Tuesday, Charles Frederick Balfour, Indian Civil Service, son of the late James Balfour, of Leven, Fife, in his 35th year.

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P. and O. s.s. Oceana, with English Mails of 2nd instant, due to arrive at 9 a.m.
Harwood Association Football League, Cooperage, 5-45 p.m., Royal Scots "B" Team vs. Y. M. C. A.
St. Mary's Ex-Students' Union Dance, Woodland Hall, Nesbit Road, 9-30 p.m.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Saturday, August 17.—Harwood Association Football League, Cooperage, 5-45 p.m., Rovers vs. Royal Scot's "A" Team. Wilson College : Lecture on researches of the Plague Commission, 6-30 p. m. Cricket : Bombay Gymkhana vs. New Shivaji Cricket Club. Sun rises, 6h. 20m.; Sun sets, 7h. 6m. High water, 4-49m., 4-41s.; Low water, 10-21m., 11-14s.
Sunday, August 18.—12th Sunday after Trinity. Sun rises, 6h. 20m. Sun sets, 7h. 5m. High water 6-10m., 5-52s. Low water, 0-10s.
Monday, August 19.—Sun rises 6h. 20m. Sun sets, 7h. 4m. High water, 7-39m., 7-15s. Low water, 0-38m. 1-50s.
Tuesday, August 20.—Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills, 7 Marine Street, 3-30 and 4 p.m. Sun rises, 6h. 21m, Sun sets, 7h. 4m. High water, 8-52m., 8-31s. Low water, 1-49m., 3-0s.
Wednesday, August 21.—Municipal Standing Committee, 4-9 p.m. Gymkhana Mud Sports, 5-30p.m. Harwood Association Football League, Cooperage, 5-45 p.m. Royal Scots "A" Team vs. Customs. Sun rises, 6h. 21m. Sun sets, 7h. 3m. High water, 9-48m., 9-36s. Low water, 2-50m ; 3-51s.
Thursday, August 22.—Cricket, Hindu—Parsi match, 8an rises, 6h. 21m.; Sun sets, 7h. 2m.; High water, 10-36m., 10-38s ; Low water, 3-48m., 4-42s.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Singapore, China and Japan per extra s.s. "Ischia" will be closed at the General Post Office at 9 a.m. on Saturday, the 17th August 1907.

SHIPPING RATES ADVANCED.—We are informed that all the shipping lines sailing to Bombay have advanced their rates ten per cent. from yesterday in consequence of the advance in the price of coal, which has risen from two to three shillings upon the ordinary price owing to the new Shipping Bill which came into force on the 1st July.

HEART FAILURE.—One Harri Antaji, aged 35 years, residing in Dammer Lane, Gamdevi, was walking along Girgaum Road yesterday in company with a friend named Dhondi Maruti, when an electric car came along, on seeing which he became excited, gave a gasp, fell down and died. Dr. Fais, who examined the deceased, certified death to be due to heart-disease.

THE BAI SAKARBAI DINSHAW PETIT HOSPITAL FOR ANIMALS.—On the 1st of July last there were 60 horses, 109 bullocks, 1 cat and 24 dogs at the Bai Sakarbai Dinshaw Petit Hospital for Animals at Parel. During the month of July 51 horses, 94 bullocks, 1 cow, 1 buffalo, 1 mule, 1 goat and 31 dogs were admitted, and during the same month 51 horses, 112 bullocks, 1 goat and 22 dogs were discharged from the Hospital. 1 case among horses, 3 cases among bullocks, and 12 cases among dogs proved fatal during the past month. The following animals were treated as out-patients during the month :—7 horses, 3 bullocks, 7 cows, 5 monkeys, 2 goats, 45 dogs, 1 cat, 3 parrots, 1 bird and 2 turkeys.

SACRILEGE.—"Dead to all sense of religious feeling" was the remark Mr. Oliveira, pleader, made yesterday at the Mazagon Police Court, before Mr. C. H. Setalvad, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, when one John Phillip DeSilva, an East Indian, stood charged with house-breaking and theft from the Church of St. Michael at Mahim on Tuesday night last. Inspector Gough prosecuted. The evidence showed that the accused, who was formerly a parishioner of the Church, broke into its vestry on the night in question and stole two silver chalices, two silver plates, two silver incensors and other church property of the value of Rs 325. He had also interfered with the Tabernacle, but he stayed his hands there. As he was walking with his booty along Parel Road he was arrested on suspicion by a policeman. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge and admitted one previous conviction. Mr Oliveira, pleader, who appeared for the prosecution, characterised the accused's action as wicked and shameful. His Worship gave the accused six months' hard labour.

SECUNDERABAD NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, AUGUST 12.

Now that Poona has set the example, it would be a splendid idea if a Ladies' Club were started in Hyderabad, in which the ladies of all nationalities might have free and friendly intercourse : there are so many Indian ladies in Hyderabad, advanced thinkers and clever women, who would be very glad to take advantage of the opportunity a Club would afford to get to know English ladies better who are now living in their midst. There seems something incongruous though in the present state of social affairs. On the one hand, one reads of the "Unrest," especially in Upper India, and the cry of "India for the Indians :" on the other hand, the ladies of India are crying out for more intercourse with their Western sisters, to try and bridge the social gulf which lies between the nations. We hope that the Club idea will be followed in many parts of India.

Colonel Afsur-ul-Mulk gave a small "Social" at his residence on the 9th instant. There were about fifty people present. Colonel and Mrs. Vizard were playing several sets of tennis with Mrs. and Miss Homan and several other lady-players. The house contains so many interesting curios or "objets d'art" that it ranks as one of the sights of Hyderabad. We hear that Colonel Afsur has just brought over some forty Arab horses with him from Arabia—handsome and showy animals—and that he has already given an order for their pictures to be painted by a lady artist who is expected to arrive shortly in Hyderabad.

The whole of the fashionable world was present on Saturday night at the Liak-ud-Dowla theatre at an entertainment given in aid of the Civil Hospital. The room was crowded, and the profits—Rs. 400—handed over to the Hospital. The only drawback to the performance was the length of the programme. There were fortunately no encores, but the concert did not close till 12-30, quite a late enough hour. The Hyderabad Contingent band played the overture. It is always a treat to hear this band, which is one of the finest string bands in India. A duet on the violin and viola, played by the Bandmasters of the H. C. and H. H. Nizam's band, met with a hearty response. Herr Schmidt is known as a violinist of no mean parts. Mr. Burn delighted the audience with a song which suited his sympathetic voice. Mr. Worgan sang "The River of Years" in his inimitable style, and Mr. Hugh Gough gave us two charming songs. Mr. Lewis' short stories provoked much laughter and were very well told. Miss Bayley played one piano solo. She has a brilliant touch and her playing was much appreciated. Mr. O'Meara also sang, but the piano was too low for his voice and spoilt the effect. Mr. O'Meara is an old favourite in Secunderabad and we were disappointed that he could not be heard to better advantage. There were two duets given by Miss Carter and Mr. Simpson. We were all glad to welcome Miss Carter back : her brightness and vivacity on the stage carry her audience with her, and we were glad to see she has not lost any of her former charm. The duet "Tuppenny Tube" was very amusing and the shriek and whistle at the different stations was most realistic. "Cups and Saucers", a duologue, rendered by Mrs. C. Hordern and Colonel Macdonald, wanted more finish. There was a lack of sympathy between the actors. Mrs. Hordern gives promise of being a good actress, with practice, as this was her first appearance on the stage. The result redounded greatly to her credit, but there was a certain amount of restraint and stiffness that spoilt the piece. Colonel Macdonald's 'make up' was splendid and he looked the part he had to act. The piece of the evening was the duolog

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SOME INDIAN STATISTICS.

FOR the lover of figures there are over four hundred pages of absorbing interest in the eleventh issue of the Judicial and Administrative Statistics of British India just published by the Home Department of the Government of India. For the general reader and the student of modern geography there is ample information wherefrom to bring his knowledge up to date. He will learn that in British India, excluding the Andaman islands, but including "Administered areas" in Baluchistan, there are 45 divisions or Commissionerships, 259 districts, 1,084 sub-divisions for an area of 1,011,609 sqarre miles, containing a population of 230,013,763 according to the census of 1901. For the purpose of the judicial administration of the country, the provinces are divided in a manner which corresponds closely to the executive divisions. It is found that the most litigious people in India in civil and criminal cases together are those of Madras which in the past year had one case to every 46 of the population. Next comes Bombay with one case in 54 persons; Eastern Bengal one in 76; North-West Frontier Province one in 78; Punjab one in 94, Bengal one in 101, Central Provinces one in 188. Judicial officers decided 4,097,273 cases. Civil jurisdiction cases numbered 2,773,959, appeals 95,602 and criminal jurisdiction cases 1,144,856 and appeals 82,856. Of these, civil cases represented seventy per cent. of the total, regular civil cases formed 45 per cent, and five per cent were appeals. Criminal cases represented thirty per cent of the whole number, regular cases being 27 per cent, and in these the ratio of appeals was six per cent. The suits instituted in 1905 involved a money value of £24,496,879. Over sixty per cent of the total number of suits instituted were for amounts not exceeding fifty rupees. The average duration of cases varies much from year to year and in each province. Neglecting minor provinces, the highest average in 1905 was 148 days in Bombay for contested cases and 79 days in the same province for uncontested cases. This does not speak very well for Bombay which professed to be the most go-ahead province of India. The duration of regular appeals from decrees is much greater and, in these, Madras takes the lead, the average duration being 349 days. The average number of offences reported annually in the last five years was 1,354,077, in which 1,704,750 were concerned. In the official year reported upon the number was above the average, namely 1,727,002. In criminality Burma takes the lead and the other provinces in the following order: Bombay, Madras, North-West Frontier Province, Punjab, Bengal, Central Provinces, United Provinces, and Eastern Bengal and Assam. Of the total number of persons, 856,245 were convicted, 445 being sentenced to death, 1,821 to transportation, 1,27,514 to rigorous imprisonment, 14,405 to simple imprisonment, 654,917 fined and 20,125 whipped. The amount of Rs. 39,86,410 was realised in fines, besides Rs. 3,02,341 paid by way of compensation. Sentences were reversed or proceedings quashed on appeal in the case of 23,292 persons, being 68 per cent of the whole.

Turning to the pages on Education we find the total number of scholars in public and private institutions in British India was 5,243,425. This represents an increase, in the present decade, of 875,871. Male scholars numbered 4,639,140 as compared with 3,964,237 ten years ago, and females numbered 604,285 as compared with 403,317. The total number of institutions in 1905-6 was 160,434, of which 149,054 were for males and 11,380 for females. Of the total number of male scholars nearly seventeen per cent are undergoing higher education and over ten per cent of female scholars. The percentage of students to the population of school-going age, which is taken as fifteen per cent of the total population, was twenty-five per cent in the case of males and 3·4 per cent in the case of females. Schools for special instruction extend over a wide range of subjects and their total number has increased from 540 to 1,776 in the last decade. The number of students has, at the same time, increased from 24,628 to 52,900. The number of students of the law schools has decreased from 496 to 86 and the number of students in engineering and surveying schools has also declined from 1,393 to 938. In technical and industrial schools the increase has been from 3,101 to 6,054 while the attendance at commercial and agricultural schools is slowly rising. The total number of scholars on the rolls of the general public shools, both secondary and primary, on the 31st March 1906, included 3,965,505 boys and 533,328 girls. Of these about sixty per cent of the boys and girls were in the lower primary stage and reading printed books, and as much as 32 per cent of the girls were in a still lower stage not reading printing books. The English Arts colleges contain 72 per cent of the total number of students undergoing University education. This is slightly more than the proportion ten years ago. The Oriental Arts colleges show a very marked rise in the number of students in the last three years, and the number of Law students has fallen off very greatly. On the other hand there are five hundred more students at Medical Colleges than ten years ago, but the increase has not been rapid since 1901-2. In the Engineering Colleges the rise in the number of scholars has been large and steadily maintained.

Passing by jails and reformatory schools and police and registration we come to printing-presses and publications. Registered printing presses increased in the past ten years from 1,966 to 2,380. The number of newspapers rose in the same period from 674 to 747. Periodical publications, other than newspapers, increased from 510 to 793 and the number of books published in English, or in some other European language, increased from 1,067 to 1,141, and in Indian languages by about twenty-eight per cent. Their number, 7,644, however, is still about five times as large as the number of books printed in English. The fertility of the Bengal presses is noticeable as regards the production of books, whether printed in English or in Indian languages, which greatly exceed in number those produced in any other province. In the number of newspapers, however, Bombay stands first, followed by the Punjab. When we turn to the vital statistics, we find that since the outbreak in the city of Bombay in 1896, in which year 2,219 deaths occurred, plague has spread all over India and the mortality rose steadily each year without check, except in 1900 when the number of deaths fell from 102,000 to 73,000. In 1905, however, there was a very marked decline in the rate of increase. In the ten years during which plague had been in India—up to the time the report before us was compiled—the total recorded deaths from this cause exceeded three and a half millions. Bombay lost altogether 1,155,000. On the whole, observes the compiler, the statistics he gives afford some ground for hoping that deaths from plague have now reached their maximum for the time being at all events. In the United Provinces and in Bengal 1905-06 was the worst year on record and showed a very great advance over all previous years. We pass over figures concerning hospitals, which appear in every way satisfactory, and over those on the subject of vaccination and municipalities and lunatics, and turn to factories. Those worked by steam and owned by companies or individuals number 1442 against 1336 in the previous year. They represent about 88 per cent of the total number of factories worked by steam. The factories created by the cotton industry exist principally in Bombay, those relating to the jute industry in Bengal and Eastern Bengal and Assam, while rice mills and saw mills are most largely an industry for the exportation of the two principal products of Burma, rice and teakwood. Cotton presses have increased from 462 in 1902 to 658 in 1905. Of the factories there are none largely assigned to any particular industry. There are also 58 factories not worked by steam, including 22 jute presses and 18 printing presses. The daily average of persons employed in the factories was 632,686 as against 553,422 last year and 587,566 the previous year. Of this total, 201,725 were persons employed in factories in Bombay, these two provinces employing over two-thirds of all the factory labour of India.

A STRANGE HINDU FESTIVAL. TO-DAY on the seventh day of the light half of the month of Shrawun the Hindus hold a peculiar festival which deserves notice on account of the light that its idea throws on their religious beliefs and habits. This day is dedicated to Sitala Devi, the goddess that presides over small-pox in the Hindu Pantheon; and consequently it is called "Sitala Satem" or Sitala's seventh. At first sight it does appear very strange that there should be a goddess of disease, and that there should be a festival held in her honour. But those who are acquainted with popular Hinduism well know that there is a god or goddes or godling presiding over nearly every relation of life and that the Hindu sees the divinity at work in everything. There is a god of life and there is a god of death, as there is a god of light and a god of darkness. So there is a god of health and a god of disease. Of various kinds of diseases there are separate godlings who must be worshipped and propitiated by all in order to be free from their grasp or if already in this grasp to escape alive. There are some diseases which are peculiarly swift and devastating in their career, like plague and cholera, and the Hindu figures to his terrified mind when these diseases are raging round him, that the goddesses presiding over them have purposely let them loose in order to punish men for their neglect of themselves in the way of offerings. So the first thing that a genuine and orthodox Hindu does when an epidemic of these diseases breaks out in his midst, is to take the means of appeasing the wrath of these goddesses by incantations and the like. There are some diseases like epileptic fits which are taken for demoniacal possessions, and the goddess is supposed to 'possess' the patients and to do strange freaks through them. Ignorant people treat these persons so afflicted very cruelly sometimes, and not unfrequently are known even to kill them as witches! Small-pox is sometimes supposed to be presided over by the same goddess as cholera and plague, who is called "Mari-amma" or "mother of death" in South India. In Gujarat and Upper India she is Calla Sitala, from *situl* meaning cold. When a person has the small-pox, this goddess is supposed to possess him, and if he dies, in some parts of the country, his dead body is not burnt as usual, lest the goddess herself should be burnt, but is buried. Kinlock Forbes gives an account, from a Gujarati author, of this goddess of small-pox, which may be quoted here, as it informs us about some very strange practices in vogue among the Hindus of Gujarat the province nearest to us, and it is, besides, so very vivid.

"In the course of the present year," says the Gujarati author quoted in the *Ras Mala* the famous work of Forbes, "the daughter of a neighbour of mine, who was four years' old, fell sick of small-pox. The parents brought her bed into the house, put a screen before it, with branches of the limb (nim) tree, and . . . put this into an earthen vessel, into which each of them, as they had occasion to return into the house, dipped their feet so as to moisten the big toe of the right foot. If a neighbour or relation or other visitor came, the same purification had to be gone through. As the days went on the disease increased. A learned Brahman was then called in who read the "Sitala Stotra" or praises of the goddess Sitala, among which are these: that she is naked, seated on a donkey, wearing a broken winnowing fan on her head, with the pad of a water-vessel in one hand and a basin in the other, and that she is of the Chandal caste. After this description the *Stotra* continues: "O, great goddess! you are the mother of the world; Brahma, Vishnu, Mahadeo, Indra, and the other gods worship you continually. I therefore entreat you to heal this child." Such praises they caused to be read and, to please Sitala, they fed a donkey with grass and cakes of wheat. Notwithstanding all this, the disease went on increasing. They now had recourse to vows and promised that if the child recovered, they would give its weight in coarse sugar to Brahmans, and also the same weight of dates. Every hour they made some new vow or other, as for instance, that they would take the child to the shrine of Boucheraji, would feed twenty-five Brahmans at that temple and would shave off the hair of the child's head there. The mother took a vow that she would not wear a bodice until the child had worshipped at Bulia Devi, and that she would go thither carrying a lighted brazier on her head and a shoe in her mouth, which latter should be smeared with dirt. She vowed also to offer a pair of silver eyes, a sheet of paper, and two rupees weight of sugar with grapes and other cooling things. The father vowed to wear no turban until the child should have worshipped Bulia, and to perform the distance of the last four fields in a series of somersaults. A whole day they went on vowing one vow after another to Dev after Dev." Such are some of the queer customs of people in this country when their children are afflicted with small-pox. Nor are these restricted to Hindus only. Some of the Parsis, owing to long contact with Hindus, have adopted some of these practices, and even now some of them send offerings of pairs of silver eyes and other organs and limbs to the goddess at Bhuleshwar in our city, in order that Sitala goddess may not affect and permanently mutilate the eyes and limbs of their small-pox stricken relatives. Another peculiar custom of the Hindus, especially of Gujarat, is that on this day no fire even for necessary cooking purposes is lighted in the house, as Sitala goddess is supposed to wander about among the cooking stoves and ovens, and as she would be annoyed if fire were lighted in them. Hence people do all their cooking for this day on the previous day which is accordingly called "randhun chhuth" or "cooking sixth" of the month.

THE KING AND THE KHEDIVE." A REUTER telegram appeared in these columns on Wednesday to the effect that "the Khedive had gone to Germany, and was not going to England," and there were doubtless few people who read the telegram, who were not puzzled at the significance of it. This is an announcement which, on the surface, looks distinctly ominous, especially in view of the attacks which a few months ago were made upon the Khedive's loyalty. But there need be no cause for alarm. His Highness may still be regarded as the bulwark of Britain's power in Egypt. The telegram might have been a little clearer, that is all. The Khedive has gone to Europe to meet the King, but he has not gone to England simply because the King is not there. It is not often he is. But it is better he should be abroad. He has friends to make in Europe, while at Home every man is a friend of the King—even the Barnses and Crookses, though it surprises them to know it. This year His Majesty has gone to Marienbad two days before the time properly arranged for, no doubt in order to escape the attention of the none-too-polite and Cosmopolitan Marienbaders, who await the coming of the King with no small impatience. There His Majesty will receive the Khedive in a few days, as we shall doubtless learn through Reuter, and Lord Cromer, it may be safely conjectured, will be a trite and ready subject of conversation, even if he is not present at the Spa. His Majesty likes to see old faces at Marienbad, and Mr. Chaplin, Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador, and many other particular friends of the King generally have the honour of a chat or dinner with the Imperial visitor during his sojourn there. But, alas, the men who were the intimates of the King decades ago are steadily growing less, and there are at least two familiar faces that the King will miss at Marienbad this year—Lord Goschen and Lord Clanwilliam—who were both wont to assemble in the Pine Hills in August, but who have passed into the Great Unknown during the last few months. The Khedive will not be the only famous man whose distinction is Egyptian whom the King has received at Marienbad. Sir Ernest Cassel has been frequently at the Spa with the King, and Slatin Pasha, or Sir Rudolf, as he is nowadays known, was bidden to the royal table two years ago, when Lord and Lady Clanwilliam were last there. Thus it must not be supposed that King Edward "escapes" to Marienbad to throw off the cobwebs and cares of the London season, or to rid himself of the obligations of his Imperial state. As a matter of fact the King is a slave to duty even when on holiday, for every hour of his waking day at Marienbad is marked out for him by his physicians, one of whom is Dr. Ott, in order that time may be allowed either at meals or between them of receiving distinguished men with whom His Majesty can become a little more familiar and confidential than would be the case at a Levee or a Reception at Home. All sorts of obligations are got rid of during the three weeks at the little Austrian Spa—the after-math of the now dead London season—and many who have rendered the Monarch some service, are consoled by being unofficially invited to Marienbad to meet the King Thus, what with the long walks, the early to bed rules, the waters, and the long hours for meals His Majesty is kept busy during the whole of his holidays, and there are few of his subjects who would care to leave the scene of their labours for their annual respite with such a weight of responsibilities upon them as the Monarch of these realms.

THE P. and O. Company's s. s. *Victoria*, with the outward Mails of the 9th instant, left Suez at 11 p. m. on Wednesday.

THE homeward bound Messageries Maritimes Co's. s. s. *Dumbea*, from Bombay, arrived at Aden on Wednesday, the 14th instant, at 11 p. m.

THE Austrian Lloyd's, s. s. *Silesia*, from Trieste, left Aden on the evening of the 14th instant, and is expected here at day light on the 21st instant.

The *Bengalee* announces in its issue of the 14th instant that it has been definitely resolved to start a National Bank under Indian management and control.

DURING the week ending 13th August two chests of opium were removed from the Warehouse in Bombay, having been purchased by the Farmer at Jamnagar. The importations during the week were 11½ chests from Indore.

IT is estimated that last year a total of 14,500 metric tons of aluminium were produced throughout the world, comparing with 11,500 tons in the previous year, an increase of 25 per cent. Consumption is thought to have equalled production for the past few years. Last year's production of 14,500 tons was approximately equal to the amount turned out in the two years 1900 and 1901—14,800 tons.

IT is proposed to declare that the local area included within the Municipal limits of Mandvi in the Surat District shall cease to be a Municipal district. The reasons for this proposal are as follows:—That the village is a small poor place in a backward part of the Surat District, and that the substitution of a Sanitary Committee, while meeting with popular approbation, will sufficiently safeguard the public health.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

WEDDINGS OF THE WEEK.

The Duchess of Albany.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JULY 26.

Will it be fine for Goodwood? Everyone is asking the same question and with a knowledge born of past experience of this treacherous summer, the woman of wealth is preparing a double outfit for the most exclusive of all the race meetings. That is to say, she has placed orders for elaborate silks and muslins much befrilled and belaced to be worn "weather permitting," and should the skies frown she will have a succession of elegant tailor-mades in readiness. Only the well-dowered woman can afford this dual preparation and those to whom expense is a consideration have wisely decided that this shall be a Tailor-made Goodwood. Pastel tinted cloths and a great deal of cream faced cloth will be worn and the little coats will be prettily trimmed, but the Goodwood frock will be more or less of unmistakeably tailor origin and will demand a certain style of hat. Instead of lace and flowers we will see feathers and ribbons.

Goodwood has changed of late years. Of all the race meetings it used to be the house party one, but now many people motor down to Goodwood just as they do to Ascot. Lord and Lady Leconfield are entertaining at Petworth—"princely Petworth", as it has been called—and there will be a house party at Goodwood House. The Goodwood house-party tradition is however dying out, and the time when every house around Chichester was let for the race week has gone.

THE KING.

The King, who has had a very busy week, is in excellent health just now. It has leaked out that in the Spring when he went to Biarritz the King's physicians were a little anxious about his Majesty's health. After a hard season, however, King Edward looks remarkably well and a slight throat weakness is all he suffers from. On Tuesday the King paid a flying visit to Mr. Alfred de Rothschild's Buckinghamshire seat, Halton House, and was back in Town in time to see Miss Marie Lohr, the charming seventeen year old leading lady of whom I wrote a few weeks ago, in "My Wife" at the Haymarket Theatre.

The King's visit to Mr. de Rothschild was for the purpose of inspecting the private circus which he has established at Halton. It is a wonderful place, hidden from the general view by a belt of firs, and is fully equipped with the trappings of a first class circus. Mr. de Rothschild's private menagerie has a European reputation and many of the animals have been highly trained. A fox terrier who is equally accomplished as a jockey and an acrobat performs in the circus and the King was also much amused at the antics of a troupe of ponies, two gazelles and a very clever donkey, who contributed to the programme.

MR. ASQUITH'S SON MARRIED.

A Downing-street wedding is always an event of great socio-political importance. It is a long time since a Cabinet Minister's son has been married while his father was in office and there was a great gathering of political notabilities in the Speakers Church, Westminster, yesterday when Mr. Raymond Asquith, the eldest son of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, was married to Miss Katherine Horner. Mr Raymond Asquith is the son of Mr Asquith's first marriage, and Mrs Asquith—the "Dodo" of an earlier day—is of course his step mother. He has had a brilliant Varsity career, and having been called to the Bar is following in his father's footsteps. The bride is a charming and very popular girl.

The wedding was a very pretty one The bride herself was gowned in white satin and lace, but the white picture gowns of the bridesmaids and their artistic blue veils which took the place of the ordinary hat were distinctly original. There were eleven bridesmaids in all, Lady Majorie Manners, Lady Phyllis Clive and Miss Cynthia Charteris, one of the debutantes of the season, being among them. There were two little pages as well, dressed in blue brocade to tone with the bridesmaids' veils. One was the little son of Lord Lytton, who inherits his mother's grace and beauty, and the other was the bridegroom's young half brother.

The reception was held in Downing-Street, Mr. Herbert Gladstone lending the official residence of the Home Secretary, which was in an earlier administration the home of the bridegroom's father.

WEDDINGS OF THE WEEK.

This has been quite a week of weddings. As is often the case when the season is at its last gasp, Hymen is very busy in the churches. The Archbishop of Canterbury officiated yesterday at the marriage in the Guards Chapel of Lord Bernard Lennox, son of the Duke of Richmond, and Miss Loch, Lord Loch's sister.

Another delightfully pretty wedding took place earlier in the week when Miss Henrietta O'Neill, Lord O'Neill's daughter, was married to Mr. Charles Leith Hay at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge. It was a real Irish wedding as befitted the bride's nationality. The eight bridesmaids wore shamrock wreaths and green tulle veils with their white chiffon dresses. Their big bouquets of yellow roses were tied with shamrock green satin ribbons, and the bridegroom's present to each of them was a pendant in the design of a shamrock and thistle.

THE DUCHESS'S LUNCHEON.

The Duchess of Portland has set a new fashion in lunches. A few days ago a number of well known people, Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, the late Prime Minister, The Duchess of Marlborugh, Lady Desborough, Lady Cynthia Graham and Lord Revelstoke among them, received a card from the Duchess inviting them to lunch at the Eustace Miles Restaurant. Now the Eustace Miles Restaurant, which is by Charing Cross, is the Mecca of the food faddist. Flesh foods are not allowed to enter its sacred doors. Fish is strictly forbidden and here the disciples of a reformed diet may be seen enjoying a dainty meal of vegetables, fruit and cereals. Curiosity is a powerful lever. The Duchess's guests all accepted her invitation and were received by their stately hostess at the classic haunt of the food reformer. The Duchess of Portland, who is a convert to the theories of Mr. Eustace Miles, wanted to prove to her friends that a reformed luncheon could be a complete and appetising meal. The menu began with hors d'oeuvre, mock ham in aspic and liver farcis. There was a choice of soup, tomato, lettuce and petite marmite. "Mock Salmon" took the place of the fish course. For entrees there were galantine with salad, egg and cheese beignets and green peas, and protose cutlets a la jardiniere.

The sweets were Devonshire junket, proteid ice pudding and pear Melba, followed by dessert and coffee. The dishes whose names bear so close a resemblance to those of the unreformed menu are all of blameless origin. Various nut meals and proteids, for instance, are used in the preparation of such a dish as "mock ham in aspic."

The luncheon is reported to have been quite a success and the vegetarian Duchess is very hopeful of making distinguished converts to the cause of food reform.

A ROYAL CONVERT TO CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

There is rumour, and it has not yet been contradicted, that the Princess Royal, the Duchess of Fife, is about to join the Christian Scientists.

Christian Science has many adherents among the very highest in the land and whether the Princess Royal will really become one of Mrs Eddy's disciples or not she has certainly been studying the literature of Christian Science.

The Princess though much better has not yet recovered from her serious illness. She has been about but little this season and though she was a fairly regular attendant at the Opera she invariably sat far back in the Duke of Fife's box and seemed to shrink from publicity of any kind. She has been in residence at her town house in Portman-square during the season and has spent much time in reading and studying Christian Science.

DUCHESS OF ALBANY INTERVIEWED.

The Duchess of Albany has been interviewed by an enterprising American lady journalist.

Although the King has often chatted genially with the press representatives who accompany him wherever he goes, his rule with regard to Royal interviews is iron and never has any member of our Royal family dared to break through it until now. It is true that the Duchess, who was Helen, Princess of Waldeck Pyrmont before she married the late Duke of Albany, King Edward's brother, only belongs to our Royal family by marriage, but she is a great favourite of the King's and is always regarded as an English Princess. She is a kindly looking lady with merry brown eyes, and hair plainly parted in the middle, and she has a plump figure.

The Duchess talked to the lady journalist about her work among the working girls in Deptford, where she has established Albany House, a really wonderful place where girls are taught to become good housemaids and where babies are looked after while their mothers are at work.

"Most charitable work," said the Duchess to her interviewer, "is misplaced: that is, much of it is done with the very best of intentions but with practically no result." But the Duchess, who is richly endowed with that enormously useful virtue, sound common sense, sets an example to other society ladies, who regard charities chiefly as justifications for fashionable fetes and bazaars, by taking a close personal interest in the work and obtaining her knowledge of the conditions which she seeks to remedy from first hand information.

EARL ROSSLYN DIVORCED.

The matrimonial affairs of Lord Rosslyn have once again brought that erratic young nobleman before the public eye. A couple of years ago the news of the marriage of Lord Rosslyn to Miss Anna Robinson, an American actress, created a great sensation and this week the lady obtained a divorce from the Earl on the usual grounds. Lord Rosslyn has had a varied career. He has been a soldier, a war correspondent, an actor and a commercial traveller, and he has tried to break the bank at Monte Carlo with "a system". Each venture seems to have left his financial affairs rather more tangled than before, particularly the Monte Carlo effort. Earl Rosslyn who is still young and very handsome is a half brother of the Duchess of Sutherland and another Society beauty, the Countess of Warwick. His first marriage, it will be remembered, was dissolved five years ago—on his own petition that time.

MADAME NORDICA'S PAGEANTS.

Madame Nordica, who is making an extended tour in Europe laying the business foundations of her Institute of Music on the banks of the Hudson, told me just before leaving London for Paris some of her plans for its success.

"The institute is designed to bring out, and to develope, the musical talent which is possessed so largely by American and English people," said the celebrated Prima Donna, "and besides this I am going to have pageants on the lawns and to revive all those pretty dances which have somehow died out—the minuet, the Sir Roger de Coverley and many others of which one only sees now a very modern version in a musical comedy. I have been dreaming of such an institute for years, and sometimes I think of it as a whole, just as if my wildest dreams were realised, with sections for sculpture, painting and everything that is artistic. I attach great importance to the pageants. I tried to go to the pageant at Bury St. Edmunds and then again to the masque at Claremont, but really your English weather is so overwhelming. However, I had a glorious day at the St. Albans pageant and I am going to produce one on the Hudson on the same lines. I have pictures of all the costumes worn at St. Albans."

"Of course I know the States have not made very much history," continued Madame Nordica. "But my institute is to be for all English speaking people, so there is no reason why we should not borrow dramatic portions of English history. And then I do not see why all pageants should be historical. I propose to illustrate picturesque events that are happening in all parts of the world, but which people at home in America have not the opportunity of witnessing. There is the coronation of King Edward, a state opening of Parliament, or a Lord Mayor's Show which so many Americans have heard about but not seen."

Madame Nordica hopes that the erection of the institute will soon be in full progress. Musicians in America and, she thinks, in England too for the matter of that, have been too eager to make money by their talent. Consequently there are no great vocalists or instrumentalists who are "coming on." Madame Nordica intends to have music taught thoroughly. Vocal music she will direct herself.

Oratorios have quite gone out of fashion, because everybody rushes to the Opera, but Madame Nordica means to revive the fashion of oratorios and to give an impetus to the singing of grand operas in English.

DYSENTERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—As I hear that dysentery is prevalent in the city at present, due no doubt to the abnormal wet weather we have been having for the past six weeks, I would like to place before the public, through the medium of your widely-read journal, a simple but most effective cure for this distressing and dangerous complaint. I do so in the hope that it may be the means of saving the lives of many who have tried other remedies without deriving the benefit that I feel sure will be obtained by their trying this powder.

I may mention that this powder succeeded in the case of a young lady (European) who had suffered from chronic dysentery for over six months, when all other remedies had failed.

I have given the recipe to several people and they have all found it cure them.

The ingredients which go to make up the powder are easily obtained at a cost of only a few pice, and the powders can be made up in the home-facts which place the remedy within the reach of the poorest of the poor.

I give them below:—

6 gallnuts (native name Maiphul),
6 nutmegs (" Jaiphul).
Sugar candy to sweeten.

The above to be powdered to a fine dust. To obtain this result sift through a piece of fine linen.

The whole quantity to be divided into nine powders of equal parts.

One powder to be taken in a wineglassful of pure fresh milk the first thing in the morning, one at midday, and the third the last thing at night when retiring.

Diet (which must be strictly observed): Good fresh milk and conjee.

In a case of dysentery in its incipient stage the nine powders will be found sufficient to effect a cure.

Should the complaint be of longer duration the powders should be continued until the hæmorrhage ceases, but a fresh supply should be prepared every third day, as the powders will not keep in this damp weather.

Should any of your readers give these powders a trial and find them effective, as I am confident they will, they would be doing a kindness to the public at large if they communicated their experience through your esteemed journal.—Yours, &c.,

EARNEST.

THE BICYCLE TAX AND THE ROADS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—May I trespass on your valuable space in asking if any of your numerous readers can tell me, through your columns, when the Bicycle Tax is likely to come to an end? I believe it has been generally admitted that it was never intended that a bicycle should be a two-wheeled vehicle within the meaning of the Act any more than a perambulator. I believe I am not wrong in stating that a very large proportion of people who own bicycles do not pay the tax, and consequently the cost of collecting from the few who do pay bears a very high proportion to the sum collected. The question was raised in the Municipality some time back, but nothing more appears to have been done in the matter as the Collector called a few day ago. If one has to pay a tax they naturally expect something for their money, and I do not think that even the Members of the Municipality itself could honestly say that the Bombay roads are a pleasure to cycle on at the present moment, or have been for months, or even longer.—Yours, etc.,

OUDEIS.

August 15.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending August 13th was 709, giving a death-rate of 44·15 per annum per thousand as against 65·73 the corresponding period of last year, and 47·32 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 56 died from fevers; 13, plague; 1, small-pox; 4, measles; 38, cholera; 2, leprosy; 55, phthisis; 33, diseases of the nervous system; 175, affections of the respiratory organs; 63, diarrhœa; 37, dysentery; 50, still-born; 92, old age and debility; 14, accidents and violence. The classified list of death shows:—Jain, 14; Brahmin, 26; Lingaet, 2; Bhattia, 5; Hindu of other caste, 342; Hindu low caste, 51; Musalman, 132; Parsee, 25; Jew, 1; Native Christian, 23; Eurasian, 2; European, 6: total number of births was 349 as against 356 the corresponding period of last year, and 354 the average over the past five years. The rate of mortality according to the new census was 35·04 as compared with 52·16 last

ENGLAND AND GERMANY.

THE KING AT CASSEL.

Cordial Demonstrations.

ENGLISH PRESS OPINIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, AUGUST 14.

King Edward has arrived at Wilhelmshoehe.

The Kaiser and Prince von Bulow received His Majesty.

The Monarchs cordially embraced and drove to the Castle amid the cheers of the people.

LONDON, AUGUST 15.

A huge crowd cheered King Edward at Cassel and there was a remarkable display of enthusiasm.

The Monarchs reviewed the troops and drove out twice. They dined at the Castle, King Edward leaving at 11-30.

The speeches at the dinner were of a most cordial description, both dwelling on the good relations between the two peoples.

The Kaiser welcomed the feelings of kinship and friendship prompting the visit of the representative of the Great British people, which testified to the good relations between the two peoples.

King Edward, speaking in German, assured the Kaiser of his great joy in making the visit. "My greatest wish," said His Majesty, "is that the best and most pleasant relations should exist between the two countries."

He rejoiced that Their Majesties would soon visit England, and said he was convinced that the whole British people would receive them with the greatest joy.

The English papers characterise the meeting as a great political event, marking a definite turning-point in the relations between England and Germany.

They emphasise that the meeting is the complement to a series of meetings and agreements, which testify to the British desire for peace and show that the idea that British policy aims at the isolation of Germany is a delusion.

THE BELFAST RIOTS.

Projected Vitriol Throwing.

LONDON, AUGUST 15.

It is reported that the troops in Belfast were provided on Tuesday with a quantity of vaseline as an antidote against the vitriol with which the rioters were provided and of which they had twenty-five gallons.

AFFAIRS AT CASABLANCA.

Cavalry and Artillery Wanted.

KAID MACLEAN'S LIFE IN DANGER.

LONDON, AUGUST 14.

Skirmishing continues at Casablanca, where it is thought that the lack of cavalry and artillery is hampering operations.

LONDON, AUGUST 15.

The HEMASS tribesmen, who are infuriated with the Casablanca affair, threaten revenge on Kaid Maclean whom Raisuli is protecting.

DECEASED WIFE'S SISTER BILL.

Passed by the Commons.

LONDON, AUGUST 15.

The House of Commons passed the third reading of the Deceased Wife's Sister Bill after an all night sitting.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, AUGUST 15.

A special London telegram to the *Pioneer* of the 14th instant states that Government have taken up the Deceased Wife's Sister Bill, rendering its passage through the House of Commons practically certain.

The promoters are most hopeful concerning the attitude of the House of Lords towards the Bill.

THE SCOTTISH LAND BILL.

Joint Discussion with Small Holders' Bill.

LORD RIPON'S PROTEST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, AUGUST 15.

The House of Lords has adjourned the discussion of the Scottish Land Bill until the English Small Holders' Bill has been brought up when it is proposed to incorporate the leading provisions of the latter in the former Bill.

Lord Ripon protested vehemently against the motion as an unprecedented and intolerable proceeding.

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE CONVENTION.

Relationship in China.

TERMS PUBLISHED.

LONDON, AUGUST 15.

The text of the Russo-Japanese Convention has been published in St. Petersburg. Both Powers undertake mutually to respect territorial integrity and to maintain the *status quo* and open door in China.

POLICE FOR NAIROBI.

Departure of a Detachment.

LONDON, AUGUST 14.

A detachment of Military Mounted Police has left Aldershot for service at Nairobi.

CRICKET.

LONDON, AUGUST 15.

Notts have beaten the South Africans by five wickets.

The matches between Hampshire and Leicester and Sussex and Surrey were drawn.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF LORD ASHTOWN.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE'S BID FOR REVENGE.

Response to Magistrate's Call for the Murder of a Peer.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, AUGUST 14.

An attempt has been made to blow up Lord Ashtown's bedroom at Glenahira Lodge, Clonmel, by a bomb.

His Lordship was not injured.

There has been some trouble on the estate.

Lord Ashtown, though a patriotic resident Irish landlord, has long been a marked man amongst the lawless moonlighting fraternity in Ireland. He owns some two-and-twenty thousand acres of land in County Galway, and having had great trouble with a turbulent tenantry, he became the leading spirit of the Imperial Protestant Federation and the arch-enemy of the United Irish League. His seat, Woodlawn, County Galway, is situated in a neighbourhood which simply reeks with agrarianism, and Athenry, a few miles away, has been the scene of some of the most violent moonlighting outrages which have occurred during the present epidemic of crime in Ireland. It says much for Lord Ashtown's pluck that he should stick so steadfastly to his Irish seat, knowing the rancorous hatred existing towards him, which even the priests are not above fostering, and after he has received repeated warnings of the fate that awaits him. And these threats have been made in no secret or shame-faced manner. Two months ago, at a public meeting in the neighbourhood of Lord Ashtown's residence, Mr. J. P. Kelly, a Justice of the Peace, vehemently called upon his audience to deal out to Lord Ashtown the same fate that was given to Mr. John Blake, the agent to the "infamous" Marquess of Clanricarde, who was foully murdered while driving in his car a short distance from Loughrea. In consequence of this diabolical speech Mr. Kelly was taken before the Resident Magistrate at Loughrea, when great excitement prevailed, the arrest having to be made secretly lest the murder of Lord Ashtown be summarily consummated. The incident was made the subject of a discussion in the House of Lords. Since then Lord Ashtown may be said to have lived in momentary expectation of a terrible end, for murder is becoming almost a common occurrence in that part of Ireland. The fact that the attempt upon the life of Lord Ashtown was not made at his residence in County Galway, where he invariably resides, but in the South of Ireland, shows how mercilessly he has been pursued.

Lord Ashtown, like his neighbour, the Earl of Clancarty, is a Trench, and both are descended from that Frederick Trench, of Garbally, County Galway, who was a considerable landowner in those parts in the seventeenth century. His son Frederick founded the house of Clancarty; his son John, the Very Reverend the Dean of Raphoe, founded that of Ashtown, and was ancestor of that Chenevix Trench who became so redoubtable a champion of the Queen's English and added to its literature some delightful poems. The eldest born of the Trenches has always been a Frederick, and it was the Frederick who was born in 1755 and for many years represented Portarlington in the Irish Parliament who was created Baron Ashtown something over a century ago.

The second baron was his nephew, Frederick Mason Trench, whose sons married his kinswoman, the eldest daughter of the third Earl of Clancarty, and predeceased his father, leaving Frederick Oliver Trench to succeed his grandfather as third and present baron in 1880 at the age of twelve.

There is a curious fatality, by the way, about Lord Ashtown's title. A decade or so ago Mr. James Williamson, of Ashton, owner of what is perhaps the greatest carpet and linoleum factory in the world, was raised to the peerage as Baron Ashton, and ever since that date by some curious mischance the identity of the two peers has been continually confused, the Galway baron being credited with the carpet factory and the Lancaster baron with the Irish acres. They have little to quarrel about on the score of ancestry, however, for the Williamsons held land in the manor of Castleriggo and Derwentwater in the fifteenth century, and were people of some note at Myrehouse, by Crosthwaite, in Cumberland at a still earlier period. ARLEY.

IRISH ADVOCACY OF DYNAMITE.

Mr. Patrick Ford, Editor of the New York *Irish World*, has been for many years noted as one of the foremost advocates of the use of dynamite for the purpose of blowing up the English Houses of Parliament and other public buildings in London, though he well knew at the time that this might involve the wholesale murder of many innocent men, women, and children. He has not repented of his misconduct. On the contrary, only two years since, in an article which appeared in his paper, he wrote as follows :—

"England has displaced our race, not destroyed it; England robbed us in the Old World and she vilifies us in the New. But the day of reckoning will come. And oh! when it does come, what deeds worthy of the opportunity will be enacted! What sweet revenge will be taken, Greater Ireland—thirty millions of the American people—longs for that opportunity."

"*The Irish World* has raised many funds for Ireland. Some were for distress, some were for the Home Rule cause, and other were to be used at the discretion of the recipients. Whether they used the money for Parliamentary purposes or for dynamite, or for both, we didn't ask. All that we cared for was that the money be expended where and how it could do the most good. In all those movements we felt and acted as a man of Irish blood should feel and act. We have nothing to apologise for, nothing to regret."

This man, who thus boasts and brags about his dynamite murder campaign, is the man whom Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P., General Secretary of the United Irish League, and President of the Irish Board of Erin Section of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, delights to honour as though he were one of the greatest heroes of modern times. But even worse than this advocacy of dynamite by Patrick Ford was his praise of the Invincible Murderers who assassinated Lord Frederick Cavendish and Mr. Burke in the Phœnix Park, Dublin, on May 6th, 1882. As was proved by the Attorney General, in his speech before the Parnell Commission, on October 24th, 1888, Ford, in his *Irish World*, termed the men who were punished for this awful crime, "the eight martyrs." He got up a fund in aid of the families of the murderers, and wrote about it in these terms :—

"That money was not given as alms. It was intended as a testimonial to the men who had, in their own way, struck a blow for the independence of Ireland. Whatever may be thought of the method the underlying principle at least was a heroic one. May God send Ireland more men with hearts like Joe Brady. Assassins! No, they were heroes who knew how to die for a cause, as well as to kill for a cause. The blow they struck caused the enemy's cheek to turn white, and the enemy's heart to tremble at future possibilities." (Official Report of the Parnell Commission, Vol I., p. 173.)

"May God send Ireland more men with hearts like Joe Brady," exclaimed Pat Ford! This Brady, be it remembered, was the man who ran his knife into the breast of Lord Frederick Cavendish and afterwards cut the throat of Mr. Burke as he lay on the ground! What is the difference in principle, betwen the act of Joe Brady, and its praise by Pat Ford? Yet it is of this man that Mr. Joseph Devlin, Special Envoy of the Irish Nationalist Party, said, at a meeting of the United Irish League, held in New York, on March 12th, 1907 :—

"I am more pleased than I can tell you to see here to-night present in this meeting that grand old veteran of a thousand fights for Ireland, Patrick Ford (great applause), whose name is a household word in Ireland, and wherever the Irish race is to be found, and whose work for half a century for Ireland, in sunshine and in storm, in stress and in strife, has always been an inspiration to the younger men who have come up since he has been engaged in the battle."

ANTI-OPIUM CAMPAIGN.

Deputation from the Straits.

GOVERNMENT SYMPATHY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, AUGUST 15.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in the absence of Lord Elgin, who was engaged in the House of Lords, received the Anti-Opium delegates, Messrs. Connolly and Alexander from the Straits and Malaysia, who urged that the time was ripe for introducing reforms and restricting and eventually suppressing the opium traffic.

Mr. Churchill promised a careful consideration of the facts presented. He said that he felt that the present condition cannot be allowed to continue and that the members of the deputation must not assume that the Government was indifferent. He thought that the case for Ceylon was particularly strong. "We must go," he said, "step by step in the Crown Colonies with the new policy adopted with reference to India and China."

WRECK OF THE "NITHSDALE."

Captain Exonerated from all Blame.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, AUGUST 15.

The result of the investigation connected with the wreck of s.s. *Nithsdale* by Mr. Henry Newton Crouch, Additional Judicial Commissioner of Sind, shows that the ship was driven steadily and with great force in a South-Easterly direction by a current of abnormal strength, and that the Commander failed to ascertain the true position through serious errors in the Chart.

The Captain of the *Nithsdale* is entirely exonerated from blame, the Judge remarking that had the soundings marked on the Chart of the Coast of Sind been correct the loss of the *Nithsdale* would not have occurred.

The Judge concurs in the recommendation of the Assessors that a fresh survey of this part of the coast be made. The Judge also supports the recommendation of the Assessors that good lights be established at Cape Monze and Hajamro.

The navigation of the Sind Coast presents serious difficulties to any Commander who has not had previous experience of it, and the evidence taken in the investigation has convinced the Judge that a good light at Hajamro would be very useful. Had it been possible to sight light 20 or 25 miles off the *Nithsdale* would almost certainly have been saved.

FIRST "PURDAH" PARTY IN LUCKNOW.

Under Begum Shabid's Auspices.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, AUGUST 15.

The first *purdah* party held in Lucknow was given yesterday afternoon by Begum Shabid Husain, the wife of Sheikh Shabid Husain, Barrister and Taluqdar of Gadia. The European ladies of Lucknow society met the Indian ladies for the first time, and the Indian ladies met together in friendly intercourse for the first time also. The function was a great success and significant, because it denotes the commencement of an era of social and educational reform amongst the Indian ladies in Oudh who were hitherto so backward in these matters.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY BRIGADE ORDERS,

FRIDAY, August 16.

Volunteer Officers.—Leave of absence out of India is granted to the undermentioned Volunteer Officer as follows :—2nd Lieutenant H. P. Jones, 1st Battalion, B. B. & C. I. Railway Volunteer Rifle Corps, for six months, from 3rd August.

SOUTHERN ARMY ORDERS.

Station Staff.—Captain A. C. S. B. Ellis, 121st Pioneers, to be Officiating Station Staff Officer, 1st Class, Poona. Dated 10th June.

Brigade Staff.—Captain W. N. Leggett, Station Staff Officer, Aden Brigade, to officiate as D.A.A.G., Aden Brigade, in addition to his own duties. Dated 26th July.

Major O. K. Tancock, 61st Company, R. G. A., to officiate as D.A.A.G., Aden Brigade, vice Captain G. A. F. Sanders, R.E., on leave. Dated 11th August.

119th Infantary (The Mooltan Regiment).—Lieutenant W. H. Hodgson, Double Company Officer, to command the Depot of his Regiment, vice Captain G. Hutchison, 122nd Rajputana Infantry, relieved. Dated 23rd July

BOMBAY—ARRIVALS, August 15.—Braid, Major, R. F. A., on retirement, from Allahabad.

Keefe, Lt., R. E., on leave from Secunderabad.

DEPARTURES, August 15.—Morgan, Lt., R. G. A., on duty to Murree Hills.

Orton, Lt., R. G. A., on duty to Murree Hills.

Hogg, Capt., R. E., on leave, to England.

Syndenham, Lt., Warwickshire, on duty to England.

Andrew, Major, 116th Mahrattas, on duty, to Aden.

Sines, Capt., K. R. Rifles, on leave, to England.

9TH DIVISION HEADQUARTERS.

Question of Location Still Pending.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, AUGUST 15.

There appears to be a strong rumour in Secunderabad that the headquarters of 9th Division will be removed shortly from Ootacamund Bolarum.

This question of the final location of the headquarters of the 9th Division has undoubtedly been under consideration for a long time, but the *Pioneer* believes it is still unsettled. Many points are involved—the question of house accommodation among them, and no final decision has as yet been arrived at.

SERIOUS CONDITION OF MAJOR FULLERTON.

A Case of Blood Poisoning.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, AUGUST 15.

I hear from Lucknow that very grave anxiety is felt for Major Fullerton, I. M. S., the Civil Surgeon of Bahraich. He is dangerously ill from blood-poisoning contracted while performing an operation, and has been taken into the Lucknow Hospital, where he is being attended to by Colonel Pratt and and Colonel Murray.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST LOAN 1907.

The average rate of the Tenders accepted by the Trustees to the extent of 20 lakhs of rupees was Rs. 98-1-4 per cent. instead of Rs. 97-11-0 as first stated.

LAHORE RIOT CASE.

Appeal Dismissed.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, AUGUST 15.

The following is a copy of the judgment in appeal in the Lahore riot case :—

The first point raised by Counsel is based on the argument that there were at least three separate riots on the 16th of April, and that there was no common intention on the part of the persons participating in them. With regard to this, I note that the original charges as framed by the Magistrate contained three heads, and charged the appellants jointly with committing riot—(1) at Mozang, (2) on the Mall, and (3) in Anarkali. Those charges were, however, subsequently amended and two separate charges were framed against the appellants—the one of causing hurt to Mr. Phillips, Deputy Superintendent of Police, in the discharge of his duties, and the other of committing riot. The question then is, what is the riot with which the appellants stand charged? It appears to me quite clear from the evidence on the record that the crowd which collected at the Chief Court on the 16th April became an unlawful assembly when it wrongfully restrained the carriage in charge of the police who were conveying the Proprietor and Editor of the *Punjabee* to jail. It continued to be an unlawful assembly during the attack on Mr. Phillips in Mohang, and it further continued to be an unlawful assembly during the subsequent maltreatment of Europeans on the Mall. It follows from this that the evidence of the arrest of two of the appellants on the Mall after the assault on Mr. Schutze is not irrelevant as urged by Counsel, as the unlawful assembly was one and the same, in other words the members of that unlawful assembly have rightly and properly been charged together, for the assembly was one and the common object was one, though the manifestations of its activity were various and exhibited in various localities, and what was the common object was doubtless to make reprisals for what the members of the assembly considered to be the conviction of innocent persons, and it showed itself first of all in resistance to the police and secondly in unwarranted attacks on Europeans who happened to be passing by.

Turning to the evidence as a whole Counsel lays stress on the fact that a great many witnesses implicate persons who have either been acquitted or not even sent for trial by the Police. Counsel would, therefore, have me reject their evidence altogether as unreliable. In my opinion this does not follow in every case of riot. Everything depends on identification. There is always the possibility of human error and a Magistrate or Police Officer would fail to exercise a wise discretion if he did not require that the words in the month of each witness should be established from other sources without in any way reflecting on the veracity of that witness. In the same way in the case of a riot it is impossible to expect that each witness should take in each circumstance from the same point of view. The scene must be kaleidoscopic, the action is rapid, movements and numbers cannot be expected to appear the same to different witnesses. Thus Mr. Phillips says that 5 or 7 persons attacked him. The witnesses say mostly 15 or 20. Herein I see no serious contradiction. A few doubtless led the rest. Counsel bases a mathematical calculation on Mr. Phillips' statement which, I think can carry no weight. He would argue in this way, "Phillips gives a total of 5; 2 have absconded and 2 are acquitted; therefore only one remains." This is not only a fallacy, but from the nature of the case no argument can be based on the exact number given by a man who descends into a crowd and finds himself assailed on all sides.

Further it does not impugn the evidence to say that it is given by the Police or change the spectators of that day. It was a case of the Rioters *versus* the Police with a few spectators thrown in. The police and the spectators give evidence; the evidence is the best obtainable. Further it is urged that as Mr. Phillips is not proved to have had injuries no hurt was caused. Hurt in this instance must be taken to mean pain. Now it is impossible to say what pain exactly was caused to Mr. Phillips by each blow, but I consider that the requirements of the definition are sufficiently complied with if it is proved that the appellants actually struck Mr. Phillips.

As regards sentence I quite agree with the Magistrate's views as to the gravity of the offence. Counsel has constantly alluded to the action of the persons composing this unlawful assembly as "joining in the fuss." I think this is hardly the view that the appellants, two of whom are shown by the record to have posed as candidates for martyrdom, would have been willing to take of their own action at the time; neither was this the view nor can it be the view with which the law looks on any interference by private individuals with the action of the police in carrying out the orders of the Courts. In the case of ignorant persons such interference would call for a deterrent sentence, in the case of educated persons a deterrent sentence is doubly necessary. I do not consider the terms of imprisonment are one day too long. I accordingly reject the appeal.

INDIAN TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

A Year's Report.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, AUGUST 15.

The administration report of the Indian Telegraph Department for the year 1906-7 has been issued. The capital account at the close of the year amounted to 987 1/2 lakhs of rupees, the revenue earned 125 3/4 lakhs, and the working expenses 96 1/2 lakhs, so that the surplus amounts to 29 lakhs representing a return on the capital outlay of 2·95 per cent. The value of telegrams increased 3·04 per cent and the number by 8·85 per cent. The system maintained by the Telegraph Department was augmented during the year by a net increase of 2,856 miles of line and 16,108 miles of wire including cable, and at its close comprised 66,597 miles of line and 259,948 miles of wire and cable; of the latter 81,401 miles were used by Railways, 5,511 by canals. 7,944 miles were worked in connexion with telephone exchanges and private lines and 165,092 miles were for departmental purposes.

There has been a large expansion in the number of telephone subscribers and it has in consequence been decided to introduce central battery telephone exchanges and as an experiental measure one is in course of erection at Cawnpore; and Calcutta and Simla will be similary provided if Cawnpore installation is successful as anticipated.

The report deals with the special arrangement necessitated by the visit of His Majesty the Amir of Afghanistan and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and shows that the department was prepared to come to the assistance of three Railway Companies, *viz.*, East Bengal State Railway, East India Railway and Bengal-Nagpur Railway when in July last their signalling staffs either struck or threatened to strike work. Certain reductions in foreign traffics were introduced during the year and arrangements are in progress to introduce telegraph forms with embossed stamps of various denominations, the sections of the report dealing traffic show that the total paid traffic compared the previous year shows an increase of 924,049 or 8. 83 per cent in the number and Rs. 2.71,552 or 2·93 per cent. in value. Inland private traffic, including Press, shows an increase of 811,665 or 9·55 per cent. in number and Rs. 3,38886 or 6·35 per cent. in value. The four-anna telegrams is gaining in popularity as there were 3,589,999 private four-anna telegrams booked during the year, an increase of 21 per cent, and these messages form 47 per cent. of the total deferred private traffic. Press telegrams also showed an increase as there were 59,850 inland Press telegrams transmitted or an increase of 36 per cent. compared with the previous year. Receipts from these telegrams increased from Rs. 1,16,900 in the previous yeer to Rs. 1,64,986 in 1906-7.

The report deals with the wireless telegraph installations to Port Blair and the Sandheads and with the Bandot and Mur systems of transmission, but they appear to have been confined to only two circles. The Director concludes the report with reference to the good work of all grades of staff.

A series of appendices, are given and the report summaries financial and other details of departmental working. Appendix D shows the steady progressive decrease in the percentage of net revenue on capital outlay from 6·22 Rs. 1,900-1 to 2·95 Rs. 1,906-7, that receipts have increased by 11 lakhs but that the working expenses have increased by 26 lakhs during the same interval and that the net revenue has fallen from 44 lakhs to 29 akhs.

NEWS IN ADVANCE OF THE MAIL.

[SPECIALLY PREPARED BUDGET.]

LONDON, JULY 27.

BELFAST POLICE IN REVOLT.

Street Parade.

OFFICERS' APPEAL FOR ORDER UNHEEDED.

LONDON, Saturday, July 27.

Extraordinary scenes were witnessed at Belfast to-day in connection with the meeting of the local members of the Royal Irish Constabulary, who are demanding an increase of pay as a result of the extra work imposed on them by the strike.

The proceedings were announced to take place at 4 p. m. on the square of Musgrave street barracks and long before that hour hundreds of the general public lined the entrance to the barracks, and as the police arrived in small knots from all parts of the city they were loudly cheered. Close on 500 men attended, says the "Observer," and were drawn up in six rows by Constable Barrett, who has taken in active part in the movement. The gates were kept open so that the entire proceedings were witnessed by thousands of people who by this time had drifted round the approaches to the barracks.

County Inspector Morrell, the acting City Commissioner, accompanied by District Inspector Gelson, soon arrived, his approach being heralded by mingled hissing and hooting. At this stage the crowd outside rushed through the gateway and the wildest excitement prevailed, Mr. Morrell advised the men to lay their grievances before him and said he would forward them to the proper quarter. Some of the men concurred in this view, but others expressed their dissent.

CONSTABLE HARANGUES CROWD.

Constable Barrett having announced that he has been suspended because he had written a letter to one of the local newspapers, Mr. Morrell and his brother officers left the square. The police then proceeded to hold their meeting. Constable Barrett, who was raised shoulder high, addressed the throng, which was now in a great state of excitement. He said he would forward the men's memorial to the Chief Secretary, and when he received a reply they would hold a further meeting. Probably this would be on Saturday next, and if they were not allowed to hold a meeting in the barrack square they would go to the Custom House steps.

This announcement was received with tremendous cheering. The general public who had assembled joined in vociferously. A large number of constables left the meeting but several others surrounded by a crowd of about a thousand people chaired Constable Barrett and marched down Prince's Street to the Custom House steps, where public meetings in the open are invariably held in Belfast. The utmost excitement prevailed on the way, cheer after cheer rent the air and the crowd was augmented by hundreds of people who came from the adjoining streets.

As the crowd passed along to the steps there was a great rush from Victoria-street, where a crowd of carters on strike were receiving their week's pay, and when they learned the purport of the commotion they raised deafening shouts. Constable Barrett, speaking from the Custom House steps, stated that the members of the Constabulary were as much entitled to be as fairly paid as any other section of the community. After this demonstrated he was chaired back to the barracks by several comrades, and the crowd afterwards dispersed.

EXTRA SHILLING WANTED.

The men demand an extra shilling per day and a pension at the rate of two-thirds of their pay, with a right to discuss their grievances when they like.

Latter, the police meeting assumed a graver aspect. The majority of the disaffected constable returned to the barrack-yard and passed a resolution not to disperse until Barrett, their leader had been reinstated. This demand was conveyed by a deputation to the acting commander in his office.

In the meantime the Assistant Inspector-General had arrived from Dublin, and his reply was that a decision would be given on Barrett's suspension in a week. When Barrett returned he was lifted shoulder high and carried into the yard amid excited yells and cheers. He announced the result of the deputation, and a storm of execration broke forth. Then someone proposed a second deputation, with the demand that if the Assistant Inspector-General did not on his own responsibility reinstate Barrett within ten minutes he should be thrown into the dock.

Military are in readiness to act if necessary, and a magistrate is in attendance with a copy of the Riot Act.

London, Sunday, July 28.

To add to the trouble at Belfast, reported in to-day's Continental Edition, a strike of tramwaymen is threatened, four of the employes having been dismissed yesterday. The men held a meeting at midnight and resolved to present to the Tramways Committee a demand for the reinstatement of the discharged four, with the alternative of a strike if the demand is not granted by Wednesday.

An exciting incident occurred this evening in Royal Avenue. An independent Protestant lecturer named Arthur Trew, exasperated a large crowd by asserting that the trouble in Belfast was due to a Catholic plot. Successive rushes to get at the lecturer were made by the mob, but were repulsed by a strong guard of police. Finally Trew took out an orange sash and flourished it in the face of the crowd, which, stung to fury, broke through the police cordon.

Trew, surrounded by constables got away, however, and with his protectors had got some distance when the crowd, swollen to three or four thousand, made a determined attempt to reach him. The police then drew their batons and charged. The mob was dispersed and two of the rioters were arrested. Passers-by, including women, who got mixed up in the melee, were injured by blows from the batons.

London, Monday, July 29.

It was supposed by some that the police might to-day refuse to undertake convoy duty. No such development occurred. A guard of fifty men called out from the central barracks to convoy the properties of a theatrical company from a Heysham steamer to the Theatre Royal made no demur. In fact the police were fulfilling both ordinary and exceptional duties as though nothing unusual had transpired.

The reason was explained to me, telegraphs our Belfast correspondent, by Constable Barrett, leader of the police in their agitation to obtain better pay and conditions of duty. "I have," he said, "advised the men to do their duty loyally until Saturday, when we are to receive the answer to our petition. The men will then act according to my orders, although Sir Neville Chamberlain, Inspector-General of the Royal Irish Constabulary, is on the spot."

Barrett is the real commander of the Belfast police for the time being.

More telegrams from the constabulary in other parts of Ireland came to hand to-day. The following are among the latest messages.

Stick to your guns. Strong support from Sligo.—R. I. C., Sligo.

Good old Belfast! Keep the flag flying. Moral and financial support if necessary.—Constabulary Larne.

Clonakilty district approve of Belfast Police fight. Will support if necessary.—Police, Clonakilty.

Proud of Belfast district. Promise support. Have no more sham commission.—Constabulary, Kushendall.

Newspaper accounts of splendid demonstration to hand. Accept undying gratitude and unwavering comradeship from Athenry. A growing feeling of dissatisfaction among police here. When we strike, God help the landlords and grazer.—Constabulary, Athenry.

Bravo, Belfast! You have our support—moral, physical, and financial. We have been too long living on starvation wages. Follow Barrett, and long may he live!—R. I. C., Craughwell, Galway.

Barrett, in the event of his leaving the Force, has received an offer to join the Hackenschmidt wrestling troupe. He says he would prefer to remain in the Force if allowed and promote the welfare of the service. The threatened tramway strike has been averted

THE CAPTIVE KAID.

Army Moves on Raisuli.

MOORS SUDDENLY ACT.

TOWN OCCUPIED.

TRIBESMEN BEHEADED.

TANGIER, SUNDAY, JULY 28,

A critical moment for the captive Kaid has been reached with the commencement of operations by Bouchta Ben Bagnad. That energetic soldier, by his own initiative, has simplified the tangle in which conflicting diplomacy has involved the question of Sir Harry Maclean's release.

Bouchta, commanding a mahalla (army) of 3,000 strong, with which he was recently operating against the disturbance in the Anjera district, moved a week ago with the ostensible object of combining with the Tetuan mahalla, about 1,500 strong, for the purpose of approaching the east side of the Kmass country, where, Raisuli and his captive are. A demonstration of force was projected in conjunction with a similar parade by the Alcazar force from the westside and with the troops advancing from Fez on the south which was meant to have the effect of impressing the Kmass tribesmen.

Bouchta, however, has a personal account to settle with Raisuli, having the scar of a bullet wound on the neck, received from the tribes engaged with the brigand. It may be also that he had his instructions from the Government. In any case, he went ahead with the programme.

AT FOOT OF KMASS HILLS.

Without delaying to join the other mahalla, he pushed rapidly forward on Friday through the Beni Useff country, and at daylight on Saturday, reached within sight of the strongly walled town of Chechowen, at the foot of the Kmass hills, and within seven hours' march of the place where the Kaid is a captive. The heads of the outlying Kmass villages came up prepared to discuss terms for the release of Sir Harry Maclean.

Bouchta answered, "I have nothing to say about him, but am here to demand Raisuli."

The heads of the villages, being unable to deliver the rebel, retired, whereupon Bouchta commenced what passes in Morocco for a display of force.

He burned six villages, taking away prisoners and driving the survivors to the mountains to carry news of what was coming to the villages in the interior. Then he advanced to Scheibwon, where, I am informed some resistance was encountered, which he soon silenced with the assistance of the three batteries of artillery accompanying him. The troops beheaded those whom they killed. My messenger, who left when the town was being occupied, states that he saw six heads and sixteen prisoners.

The latest news is that Bouchta is preparing to advance further, inflicting more destruction.

It is possible that the energetic action may be intended to forestall any French military projects by proving that the Sultan's forces are capable of suppressing internal disorder.

So far no news has arrived to show the effect of these measures upon the position of Sir Harry Maclean. Apparently the news of Bouchta's operations has not at present reached Alcazar across the mountains.

OBSTINATE GOVERNOR.

ALCAZAR (via Tangier), July 28.

The Governor of Alcazar refuses to arrest the murderers of the members of a native family under British protection. A son, the sore survivor, came here and informed the Governor that he witnessed the murder of his family at dawn hidden behind a cactus hedge.

A party sent out yesterday found traces of a struggle, but not the bodies of the victims. The villagers are terrorised into silence by the murderers, who are believed to have been instigated from Alcazar. Another attempted outrage on a British subject occurred to-day.

RAISULI'S THREAT.

Alcazar, via Tangier, July 29.

One of Sir Harry Maclean's servants arrived here this morning with news that Bouchta Ben Bagdadi carried out his threat and attacked the Kmass tribe on Saturday.

Raisuli, as I stated the other day, was aware of danger from this quarter. He went to Sir Harry Maclean and bade him order Bagdadi to withdraw. Kaid Maclean refused saying that such a command could come only from the Sultan. Raisuli declared that he would hold his prisoner responsible, and that Kaid Maclean would answer with his life if a single one of his (Raisuli's) men were wounded.

Raisuli then departed with a few hundred of his men, leaving his brother and one hundred retainers in charge of the prisoner.

El Bagdadi, who had three or four thousand tribesmen, is said to be a soldier of great determination. His attack on Saturday was directed against Sheshun Scheckowen, a market town from which brigands draw most of their supplies. The loss of this place alone will have a practical effect on the issue. My informant who witnessed the scene between Sir Harry Maclean and Raisuli, added that Raisuli betrayed agitations and was manifestly ill at ease.

The force, which left Fez some weeks ago, has not reached Alcazar, though the journey might have been easily accomplished in five days. If the troops had made a forced march they might have co-operated in Bagdadis' attack and ensured success. I doubt if the Sultan will ever be persuaded to leave Fez, even to save the life of his old and faithful servant, Sir Harry Maclean.

The Sultan is aware of the weakness of his position and of the effect which his appearance at the head of one or two tattered battalions would have upon the tribes.

The following telegram has reached Paris from Tangier :—

Raisuli and Kaid Maclean are no longer in the south. The Mahalla army returning from Alcazar is advancing towards them. Kaid Maclean has made an attempt to escape under pretext of a desire to hunt. He was recaptured and subjected to the strictest confinement being deprived of his servants. But he is still allowed to write.

Letters received in Tangier from Sir H. Maclean on Sunday state that he is still well. At the British Legation it is stated according to Reuter, that the greater part of the Kmass tribe has asked the commander of the Mahalla for a few days respite to see what can be arranged among themselves regarding the Kaid.

RAISULI'S DESIRE.

TANGIER, Monday, July 29.

A letter from Sir Harry Maclean, which reached Sir Gerard Lowther this morning, caused great diplomatic activity. Sir G Lowther visited El Shebbas, the War Minister, and during the interview the French Charge d'Affaires arrived, and remained in consultation for a long time after the departure of Sir J. Lowther, who proceeded to interview Mohammed El Torres, the Foreign Minister.

According to a British official statement, Bouchta Ben Begdadi's operations had a good effect upon the Kmassmen, but the situation has not developed since Saturday, Bouchta not advancing beyond the vicinity of Chechowen.

Sir Harry Maclean's place of captivity has not been moved, and he is well. Moorish information, however, indicates that the situation has greatly developed. Raisuli, it is stated, is now attempting to open negotiations direct with the British Government, his idea being to force the prisoner to act as intermediary. He demands the immediate withdrawal of the armies as a preliminary in the discussion of terms.

The incident illustrates Raisuli's cunning. When the news of Bouchta's sanguinary work in the outlying villages reached the place of the Kaid's captivity, furious mountaineers gathered round Sir Harry Maclean's tent and shrieked for vengeance upon Christian heads. They were just on the point of slaughtering him when in the nick of time, Raisuli himself appeared on the scene and prevented the murder.

Raisuli, I am informed, arranged this incident for the purpose of demonstrating his personal authority as the only restraining influence on the tribesmen. It is known here that he is now treating Sir Harry Maclean with great severity.

EDALJI CASE.

Further Home Office Action.

The Home Secretary has taken an important step in the Edalji case. All the papers and information collected by Sir A. Conan Doyle and others interested have been placed in the hands of the Public Prosecutor for consideration.

The object of the step, it is understood, is to see whether proceedings should be instituted against another party or parties suspected to have been directly concerned in the crime for which Mr. Edalji was sentenced.

MARK TWAIN confides to an interviewer that he has found some of the most beautiful ladies he has ever seen in England. "I am inviting them all to my funeral," he observed. "It will be the greatest gathering of beauty and magnificence that the world has ever seen." One of the joys of Mark Twain's life in London has been the English strawberry. It is, he says, both refreshing and spectacular.

FIRE EPIDEMIC IN AMERICA.

Steam Boat Ablaze.

TERRIBLE SCENES.

SEASIDE HOTEL BURNED.

GUESTS' FLIGHT TO THE BEACH.

NEW YORK, Saturday, July 27.

The wooden steamboat Frontenac, condemned a year ago by Government inspectors, but permitted to continue service after being repaired, was burned this afternoon while making a trip from Sheldrake toe Cayuga, on the Cayuga Lake, New York. There were more than fifty passengers and a crew of twelve aboard. The lake is thirty-eight miles long and three to four miles wide.

When the Frontenac was in the middle of the lake, thirty-one miles from Ithaca and seven from Cayuga, a fire was discovered in the hold at the rear of the boilers. The crew at once lowered the boats, but because of the high waves the women and children refused to enter them. The Frontenac was headed for the shore, the terrified passengers crying piteously for help.

The high wind fanned the flames, and soon all the upper part of the steamboat was ablaze. Owing to the shallowness of the water, it was impossible to run the Frontenac in near enough to shore to make it safe to jump.

When beached in six feet of water near Union Springs, men, women, and children jumped from the burning hulk. The reports as to the fatalities are conflicting, but it is known that five women, one boy and one girl were drowned. One child was burned to death.

It is reported that a number of persons are missing Many of the passengers were removed to farmhouses near by, where they were treated for burns.

The majority of the passengers lived at Auburn. As soon as the news of the accident was received there two automobiles, with physicians and nurses hastened to the scene. Then a special train with more physicians and supplies was sent to join in the relief work.

New York, Monday, July 29.

An epidemic of big fires is raging in New York. Early this morning, while thirty acres of embers were still glowing at Coney Island, disastrous conflagrations broke out at the Grand Hotel at Long Beach, the fashionable seaside resort, and in a tenement house in the most crowded and congested district of the city, killing nineteen persons and endangering fifteen hundred lives.

The hotel, a vast wooden structure, which is considered one of the best-managed summer establishments on the Atlantic coast, was completely destroyed, together with the jewellery, clothing, and personal effects of over a thousand guests and 300 servants. The fire started in a room on the fourth floor, where a maid was heating milk for a sick child. It spread with incredible rapidity, forcing everybody within to fly in their night attire to the beach. Only by the prompt application of dynamite to the threatened dwellings were

was that so few points have been discovered calling for variation in the original plans of construction.

IN ADVANCE EVERY WAY.

The Bellerophon is an advance in every way upon her elder sister ship. She will have better armament, stronger armour, greater speed.

Several variations and modifications have been made in the armament of the Bellerophon for this reason. The 12 pound quick firer is less satisfactory than the 4 inch, and the latter gun having been adopted, there will be a change in the disposition of the Bellerophon's batteries.

Torpedo attacks may be delivered from any quarter, and the 4 inch guns will command every quarter. The big gun batteries will be placed as in the Dreadnought, but the turret on the deck will be on the same level as that on the forecastle, so that the free range of the right stern fire may be preserved.

As to the changes in the armour the Admiralty is silent. The extra 1,000 tons in weight is the only hint.

The building of the Bellerophon has occupied seven months and twenty-four days, and her twin sister, the Tameraine will occupy the stocks for a similar period. This is nearly twice as long as the time taken to build the Dreadnought. Structural improvements are held to be the explanation.

From the moment she is launched there will be fifteen months during which she is to be completed for sea.

She will swarm with men throughout all that time, becoming a veritable floating ant's nest as the craftsmen and artisans fit her with all details of her state.

But so far as the public are concerned the launching ceremony of to day makes her an actual entity on the First Line of Defence.

SPLIT IN THE IRISH PARTY.

Crowth Of The Sinn Fein Movement.

London, Saturday, July 27.

Next to the pressure which induced Mr. John Redmond, at the meeting of the National Convention, to reject the Irish Council Bill, nothing has shown more clearly the growing strength of the Sinn Fein movement, says the "Observer," than the resignation of his seat in Parliament of Sir Thomas Gratton Esmonde.

Sir Thomas, who represents North Wexford, was one of Mr. Redomond's most valued supporters, and has been one of the party whips for some years.

He made it clear a week ago in what direction he was tending, when he stated that he was convinced that Parliamentary agitation as now conducted was useless, but none among the Irish party imagined he would resign his seat in Parliament. His action, too, is apparently a matter of surprise to his Sinn Fein supporters, for it is said that they propose to make a strong effort to induce him to reconsider his decision. This is somewhat surprising in view of the fact that the Sinn Fein policy is the withdrawal of Irish M. P.'s from Westminster and the formation of a National Council to "devote itself to the regeneration of the country."

An important meeting of the Irish party was held to-day, under the chairmanship of Mr. John Redmond, in Committee Room No. 16, at the House of Commons. The meeting had been specially called to consider the action of Sir Thomas Esmonde and Mr. Charles Dolan, the member for North Leitrim, in regard to their election pledges. At the outset Mr. Redmond read a letter from Mr. Blake, tendering his resignation on account of serious illness, and a resolution of regret was unanimously passed. Correspondense was read in which Sir Thomas Esmonde said he has sent his application for the Chiltern Hundreds to the secretary of the North Wexford executive of the United Irish League.

A resolution was carried regretting that Sir Thomas had publicly repudiated the policy of the party and calling upon him to forward his application to the officers of the party so as to ensure the issue of a new writ before the prorogation of Parliament.

A resolution calling upon Mr. Dolan, M. P., for North Leitrim, to resign forthwith from the membership of the party was also carried.

The Hon. E. Blake will shortly leave for Canada.

LONDON'S DOCKS.

Forecast of the Government's Bill.

The Government Bill that Mr. Lloyd George will shortly introduce in Parliament will, the "Observer" states, propose: (1) The establishment of a port authority in which the L.C.C. is to be the predominant voice; the Corporation of London, the Thames Conservancy, and the Board of Trade to be represented, but not the dock, shipping and railway companies.

(2) This body is to have power to regulate charges and to order or vote proposal for the extension and improvement of the docks, and can itself propose and seek powers for the construction of additional works.

(3) There is to be a committee to consider the terms upon which the London County Council should acquire the dock undertakings for the public.

On the face of it such a Bill shelves the more vital problems, and its obvious purpose is to keep open the question of nationalisation or municipalisation. It distinctly leads to this, and it further gives immediate opportunity for a public body to enter into competition with private enterprise.

If the Government should, in spite of the warnings of the experts, enter the field as a competitor with the dock companies, they would have to reckon with the fact that the dock companies have long since bought up every good site for new docks.

ALLEGED THEFT OF STATIONERY.

Property of the Coonoor Marine Office.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COONOOR, AUGUST 15.

On the representation of Commander Hickman, of the Royal Indian Marine, the police searched the house of one Matthews, a tide-watcher in the service of the Marine Department, where some quantities of Government stationery belonging to the Marine Office having been found and suspecting that the tide-watcher removed it from the Marine Office, the Coonoor Police have arrested Matthews who is now in custody awaiting trial.

CHINESE IMPERIAL HIGH COMMISSIONER.

Chiang Yin Tang Arrives from Tibet.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DARJEELING, AUGUST 15.

His Excellency Chiang Yin Tang, the Chinese Imperial High Commissioner with the Tibetan State, and Suite, have arrived at Darjeeling. They rode into Ghoom and were brought in about 1 o'clock by special train from there.

The party consists of seven Chinese and seven Tibetan Officers, besides about one hundred followers. They are putting up at the Woodland's Hotel and will remain here some days.

DEATH OF MAHARANI BHATIYANIPI.

Wife of Maharaja Sir Pratap Singh.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, AUGUST 15.

I regret to announce the death on Tuesday afternoon of Maharani Bhatiyanipi, the wife of His Highness Maharaja General Sir Pratap Singh, of Idar.

MR. DADABHAI NAOROJI.

A telegram was received in Bombay late on Wednesday night from Sir William Wedderburn stating that Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji was progressing, but that there is still cause for anxiety.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

The Fatal Collapse of Houses.

A MEETING of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held yesterday afternoon in the Municipal Council Hall, wit the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas Damodher Thackersy, the President, in the Chair.

In accordance with a notice of motion Dr. Jehangir J. Curseţji proposed:

"That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to submit a report, soon after the Coroner's inquiry is closed, with regard to the sudden collapse of the two houses in Dadysett Agiary Lane on the 31st ultimo, stating (1) the probable cause or causes of the collapse and whether any person or persons could be held guilty of culpable negligence, and therefore, directly or indirectly, responsible for the catastrophe. (2) What were the measures adopted immediately after the disaster, and how long after, to extricate the persons buried under the "debris," how many men were employed in the salvage work during the disaster, and whether they were sufficient in number and did their work efficiently and promptly enough to save those who were in imminent danger of death by suffocation? (3) Whether it is a fact that the Municipal Authorities became aware of the dangerous condition of the two houses only after their attention was drawn to it by one of the tenants and only a few hours prior to the collapse, and whether any official notice was given to the landlords calling upon them to do the necessary repairs? (4) Whether the Municipal Executive or the Police have any powers to summarily compel the tenants of houses in imminent danger of falling to vacate them immediately."

The proposition having been seconded,

Mr. S. S. Mistry observed that it was the duty of the people themselves to move out when the house was found to be in danger. He deprecated the idea of troubling their officers every now and then by asking them to make reports on all sorts of questions. He did not see any necessity of a report in this case.

Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta observed that it was difficult not to sympathise with the sufferers in the calamity that befell several families by the recent collapse of two houses in the Dadysett Agiary Lane. He did not like the tone in which Mr. Mistry spoke of the people who deserved their sympathy.

Mr. Mistry: I have not said anything against them; I do sympathise with them.

Sir Pherozeshah, continuing, said that while fully sympathising with the sufferers, he could not at the same time help remarking that it was a pity that very often people, after receiving notice, did not take prompt measures for vacating dangerous and unsafe houses. It was impossible for any one to say when a house was in imminent danger. It was difficult—very difficult—for any one to say when a house would collapse. He differed from Dr. Jehangir that the Municipal Executive or the Police be invested with powers to summarily compel tenants of unsafe houses to vacate them immediately. If they gave power to other people to meddle in that way, on every occasion there would be a cry of oppression. It was not possible to settle that question off hand. He was strongly of opinion that no attempt at forcibly removing people from their houses would ever succeed. It was perfectly certain that all men did what they could possibly do to save those who were buried under the *debris*. The Executive Engineer had praised the work of the people who were employed in removing the *debris*. However, he gathered from Mr. Hall's evidence before the Coroner that they were not experts for the work. If that was so, he (the speaker) asked how was it that it did not occur to anybody to send for some organized and intelligent labour or for Sappers and Miners, who he was sure under the circumstances would be the most readily responded to the call as they had done in almost all cases before. He hoped the Commissioner would report to them whether they could have got intelligent labour. He should like to know why the Sappers and Miners were not sent for.

Mr. Dunn: They are at Poona.

Sir Pherozeshah thought that the Commissioner should suggest to them what steps should be adopted in case of sudden emergency in future. If such an unfortunate catastrophe occurred in future they should see that there was skilled organisation of labour brought to bear on the work of rescue. He didnot like the complex way in which Dr. Jehangir submitted his proposition. It ought to have been very simple and he (Sir Pherozeshah) proposed as an amendment that the Municipal Commissioner be requested to submit a full report as to the circumstances regarding the collapse of the two houses in the Dadysett Agiary Street on the 31st ultimo.

After some further discussion, Dr. Jehangir withdrew his proposition and Sir Pherozeshah's amendment was carried.

THE ELECTRIC TRAM-CARS.

Mr. S. S. Mistry moved that because of the fact that people using tram-cars are put to very great inconvenience, and much waste of time is caused to them, especially about the hours of 9 to 11 a.m., and 4 to 7 p.m., on account of insufficiency of the number of cars, the Commissioner be requested to take immediate steps for enforcing the clause of the Indenture between the Corporation and Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Company by which the Company undertook to maintain a service conducive to "public safety and convenience."

Mr. Mistry complained of the defiant attitude adopted by the Tramway Company, who did not pay the slightest heed to the public convenience. People had often to wait for more than an hour exposed to rain in order to get a seat in the tram-cars, and the difficulty that ladies were put to were such that it could never be tolerated in a civilized country. The Indians were meek, otherwise if such a thing had happened in any other country, the Company would have been kicked out bag and baggage (Laughter.)

Mr. Dunn: There would be no tram-cars to carry them (Laughter.)

Dr. Sukhia seconded the proposition.

Sir Pherozeshah Mehta said it was high time the Commissioner drew the attention of the Tramway Company to the penalty clause which ought not to be enforced at once, but the Company should be distinctly told that if no attention were paid to the warning to meet the convenience of the public, the penalty clause would have to be enforced. It seemed to him that the matter had reached a scandalous state. People had to suffer great hardships and inconvenience owing to the defective tram service. It was full time the Commissioner told the Electric Tramway Company that the public were entitled to a far better service than they were now giving to the public. They should now be told that the time had come when the penalty clause should be enforced. There was a limit to their patience, which was now quite exhausted.

Mr. Joseph Baptista said that the service was perfectly intolerable. It was totally disorganized. If the former service was defective, the present service was far more so.

Mr. Mistry's proposition was carried.

OBSTRUCTION ON FOOTPATHS.

Mr. Cowasji Jehangir moved that the attention of the Commissioner be drawn to the obstruction to the Warden Road footpath by cast iron pipes and other materials, and he be requested to take steps for their immediate removal.

Sir Pherozeshah Mehta in seconding the proposition observed that it was most wonderful that though the pipes had been lying there for a year, it did not occur to the Engineering Department to remove them.

Mr. Todd humorously said that the pipes were kept there to be seasoned. (Laughter)

Mr. D. E. Wacha said that the Engineering Department perhaps took it that the footpath was for their convenience and not for the public use.

Mr. Dunn: Remove them to the stores.

Dr. Jehangir: Their removal would cost money, and as Mr. Todd had said they must have been quite seasoned, and it was better if they had sold them.

The Commissioner said that his attention being drawn to the matter, he had made enquiries into it. The pipes were placed there for immediate use, but subsequently it was not found possible to use them and therefore they remained where they were, as there was no other place near at hand to remove them. Moreover, they would be removed as soon as possible.

The proposition was adopted.

The Corporation adjourned to Monday next.

PASSENGERS PER S. S. "OCEANIEN."

The following passengers will proceed to Australia by the Messageries Maritime Co's steamer *Oceanien* to-day from V. Dock Shed No. 6. There will be the usual medical inspection of the cabin passengers in the shed at 12 noon. Native servants and ayahs and all deck passengers must be at the Prince's Dock, disinfecting shed, at 9-30 a.m. with all their baggage:—

From Colombo—Mr Jobia, Mr Barkook, Mr Ahmed Sid, Six sailers of the shipwrecked s. s. *Teutonia*.
From Melbourne—Mr Rawady.
From Sydney—Mr and Mrs Leroux Flips and Baby, Mr E Caille, Mr and Mrs Desmarchelier and baby, Mr Nestor Hewein, Mr G Playoust and son, Mrs Playoust and son Mr Rypens, Miss Sudov Stokes, nurse of Mrs Flipo, 2 nurses of Mryia Higginson, Mr W Playous, Sergt Boate, Mrs and 2 children, Mr 4 E Mc Loughleir
From Noumea—Mrs Lecomte and child, Mr Dubarry, Mr and Mrs Pennel, Mrs Doncin, Miss Graciet, Mr and Miss Guirand, Mr Gervais, Mr and Mrs Bardoullet, Mr and Mrs Bonnin, Mr Gillot, Mr and Mrs Baron, Mrs Pebordo, Miss Eug Muraton, Mr Rabelin, Mr Hortola, Mr Bogler, and Mr M Bonnet.
From Kobe—Mr B F Dastoor.
From Fremantle—Mr Trotter and Mr Smith.

SPORTING NEWS.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Bombay Gymkhana vs. R. G. A.

On the Cooperage yesterday teams representing the Gymkhana and the R. G. A. met on a ground one would not think of playing an important match on. Rain had fallen in abundance shortly before and the players were a mass of mud before very long, the referee, Mr. Arnott, being but little better off. Though the game was not started till 6-5 the Gymkhana began with three men short and played no back whereas the Military were at full strength.

The Artillery forwards gradually forced the ball up to their opponents' end till Blair relieved and Gunnery tried a drop at goal. From the scrum that followed he got on again and, running round, touched down near the post, but his kick went to the left. After this two more Gymkhana men turned up and from a kick and rush Gunnery again got on and scored wide on the left. Moberly failed at a difficult shot and the Gymkhana led by 6 points to nil. Ward now came on and completed the fifteen, and from a long kick the Gymkhana back muffed but they eventually touched down, some even play followed till the R. G. A. forwards, rushed the ball up to the 25 where Dobbin got on and kicking over the line dropped on it. Reynolds failed with the kick and half time arrived with the Gymkhana leading by 6 pts. to 3.

On resuming the R. G. A. came but a forward run by the Gymkhana took the ball to the other end where it was sent over the line between the posts. Gunnery was handy and, rushing in, fell on it. An easy kick was successfully taken Blair placing the Gymkhana further ahead by 11 pts. to 3. From the kick the R. G. A. immediately got down and were within an ace of scoring, but one of their forwards was off-side. Working the ball up, the Gymkhana for sometime had distinctly the better of the game. Ward being pulled up on the line. After more narrow shaves the same player was again just brought down in time and an attempt at a drop goal by Gunnery went to the right. After a good run by Ward who was well tackled by the back, McCheyne got away for the R. A. He dribbled clean past the back and fell on the ball just as it was going over the dead ball line. Dobbin failed at the kick and time following the Gymkhana ran out winners as under:—

Bombay Gymkhana..... 1 Goal 2 Tries 11 Points.
R. G. A. ..... 2 Tries 6 Points.

PARSEE-HINDU PRESIDENCY MATCH.

Parsee Team.

At a meeting of the Parsee Gymkhana Selection Committee held last night, the following gentlemen were selected to play for the Parsees against the Hindus on the Bombay Gymkhana ground on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th August 1907. The game, if not finished by Saturday, the 24th, will be continued on Monday, the 26th idem, and if not finished on that day even, both the sides will toss up to play against the Presidency Team on the 27th, 28th and 29th August. Play to commence at 12 a.m. (S. T.) sharp:—Dr. M. E. Pavri (Capt.), Messrs. K. M. Mistry (Patiala); M. D. Bulsara (Ajmer); H. F. Mulla; R. P. Meherhomji; D. C. Daruwalla; S. M. Chothia; D. E. Mody; K. B. Mistry (Ajmer); J. C. Warden, and D. M. Raja (senior). Reserves:—Messrs. Dorab Mistry and S. Madon.

BANDMANN COMEDY COMPANY.

As will be seen by our advertisement columns, the Bandmann Opera Company is due here on Tuesday, August 27th, when the popular *Ruffles* will be played. A number of new pieces which have never been seen in Bombay will be put on as will be seen from the following programme:—

WED., 28th Aug.—A Message from Mars.
THURS., 29th " —The Idler.
FRI., 30th " —The Admirable Crighton.
SATUR., 31st " —The Silver King.
MON., 2nd Sept.—The Liar
TUES., 3rd " —Lady Windermere's Fan.
WED., 4th " —The Sign of the Cross.
THURS., 5th " —The Interveners.
FRID., 6th " —Charley's Aunt.
SATUR., 7th " —Are you a Mason?
MON., 9th " —East Lynn.
TUES., 10th " —The Professor's Love Story.
WED., 11th " —His House in Order.
THURS., 12th " —The Private Secretary.
FRI., 13th " —Sherlock Holmes.
SATUR., 14th " —The Three Musketeers.
MON., 16th " —Lord and Lady Algy.

BRIDGE QUESTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I would ask your opinion on the following Bridge question:—

"A," the dealer, passes—dummy makes no trumps. "A" by mistake lays his hand on the table, when the elder hand requests the dealer to take up the exposed cards and dummy to lay his cards on the table. Can the opponent claim this? Thanking you in anticipation,—Yours, etc.,

CRUX.

HYDRAULIC PRESS FOR THE KIDDERPORE DOCKS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, AUGUST 15.

At a recent Meeting of the Calcutta Port Commissioners, a petition, signed by the leading jute balers of Calcutta, asking for the provision of an hydraulic press at the Kidderpore Docks for repressing bales of jute which are opened from time to time for inspection or which are burst in transit from the press houses to the docks, was considered.

It was resolved that the Commissioners are unable to provide a press for re-baling opened and burst bales of jute, but are prepared to lease to jute balers a plot of ground for the erection of such a Press for their own use.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	2
B Mandvi, Chukla, Cumerkhadi and Dongri	0	0	9
C Market, Dhobi Talao Panwadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	0	0	12
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar and Mahaluxmi	0	0	15
E Maagaon, Tarwady, Bad Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	26
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	2	0	8
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	10
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	2
Total	2	0	90
Total plague deaths to date	140,895		
Same date last year	5	10	138

CHOLERA.

Attacks.	Deaths.
8	6

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine Dealers everywhere.

POONA RACES.

Saturday's Meeting Doubtful.

HEAVY AND CONTINUOUS RAIN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, AUGUST 15.

Poona is again under another spell of wet weather and it has been raining heavily day and night without a break ever since Sunday last, and consequently the chances of having the Fourth Extra Meeting on Saturday are very gloomy. The Stewards have notified that the two Pony Hurdle Races advertised for Saturday are postponed to next Saturday, and have extended the time for the declaration of forfeits to 6 P.M. on Thursday the 22nd instant. Instead they have got up an extra race by dividing the Novice Maiden Plate. The two Hurdle Races advertised for the Fifth Extra Meeting have been also postponed to the Sixth Extra, and the time for entries to the same has been extended to 6 P.M. on the 26th instant.

POONA, AUGUST 15.

It is impossible to convey an adequate conception of the havoc which the torrential and continuous rain is playing with the season's prospect. Poona resembles a city of the dead, and to-day makes the fifth day when people are hoping against hope for relief from its sepulchral aspect. The sloppy streets are practically deserted, and there is absolutely nothing to do, while the blinding downpour compels everybody to remain indoors, and even this compulsion is not dissociated with a certain degree of discomfort if not uneasiness, as the majority of the houses are leaking heavily, and many are in imminent danger of collapsing. Indeed, a score or more of jerry structures in the city have crumbled down, but fortunately no casualties are reported. The Compound walls in all directions are in ruins.

If there is no possibility of a break to-morrow it would be equally impossible to hold the races on Saturday. So great rainfall has no official record for the past 25 years. Our monsoon average is 30 inches, but it has already been completed, and that in a single month.

Second Entries.

The following are the second entries for the Poona Closed Meeting of the 22nd instant:—

HORSE WELTER PLATE.—6 furlongs:—Mr. Lyons The Earl.

THE ABAB WELTER PLATE.—1 mile:—Colonel Forbes' Multiform. Captain Winter's Whirlwind Captain Winter's Rocksalt. Mr. Morrison's Youn. Lomond.

THE PONY PLATE.—6 furlongs.—Captain Hayland's Sharavague.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—About 5 furlongs:—Mr. Morrison's Kagal

ALL PONY POLO PLATE.—3 furlongs:—Captain Thompson's Margueritte. Lt. Clair Gray's Surfeite.

[The first entries for this meeting were published in our issue of Wednesday, the 14th instant.]

Horses Struck Out.

The following horses have been struck out from the various races for Saturday's meeting:—

OLD STAND PLATE.—Ourstate, Killevan and Shotover.

THE LANOWLI PLATE.—Ajax.

NOVICE MAIDEN PLATE.—Silverstream and Nordic Major.

THE MIDGET HANDICAP.—Grey Falcon, Creditor and Saled.

THE ARAB WELTER PLATE.—Little Exile and Plato.

The following is the draw for the Novice Maiden Plate:—

FIRST DIVISION.—Kabil, Hobart, Madrid, Retreat, Adham, Elector, Lucky Prince, Narcissus, Baroda, Herricul, Emir, Sib and Makbul.

SECOND DIVISION.—Bourbon, Express, Secretary, Kagal, Andry, Entakia, Amood, Shabeeb, Zir, Thuyyar, Patna late Meedher, Rains, Lender, Robert and Macaire.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

Lieutenant D. M. C. Church, I. M. S., has been appointed to be Residency Surgeon, Baroda, in addition to his other duties, with effect from the 19th July.

Mr. J. B. Samson, on reversion to British Service, to be Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sholapur.

Mr. E. F. Rego, Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Belgaum, was in charge of the current duties of the First Class Subordinate Judge's Court at Belgaum, in addition to his own, from the 5th July to the 24th July, both days inclusive.

Lieutenant J. P. Thompson, 35 Scinde Horse, to officiate as Cantonment Magistrate, Jacobabad, in addition to his Military duties, vice Lieutenant H. P. Dyer, proceeded on leave.

Lieutenant Thompson is also appointed to be a Magistrate of the First Class in the Upper Sind Frontier District, and will exercise the powers with which he is hereby invested within the limits of the Military Cantonment of Jacobabad.

Mr. R. T. F. Kirk, I. C. S., Assistant Collector in the district of East Khandesh, is appointed to be a Magistrate of the First Class in that district.

Mr. W. H. Marston to be a Second Grade Deputy Superintendent of Police and to do duty as Deputy Superintendent of Police in Sind.

Mr. C. A. Kincaid, I. C. S., Judge and Sessions Judge, Poona, and Agent for Sardars in the Deccan, is granted privilege leave for three months from the 24th August or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr. E. Clements, I.C.S., on relief by Mr. T. Walker, I.C.S., to do duty as Judge and Sessions Judge, Poona, and Agent for Sardars in the Deccan, during the absence on leave of Mr. C. A. Kincaid, I.C.S., or pending further orders.

Mr. H. Crawford; Acting First Assistant Collector of Customs, Bombay, is granted privilege leave for three months from 31st August or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved.

Mr. H. L. Painter, B.A. (Oxon.), I.C.S., to act as Collector of Surat and to be Member and President of the Local Board established for the Surat District vice Mr. J. DeC Atkins, I. C. S., pending further orders.

Mr. E. Sands has been allowed an extension of furlough for six months.

Mr. A. M. T. Jackson, M. A. (Oxon.), Barrister-at-Law, I. C. S., to be President of the Civil and Military Examination Committee vice Mr. C. N. Seddon, I. C. S., proceeding on leave, pending further orders.

Major J. K. Condon to be a member of the Civil and Military Examination Committee for examining candidates in Urdu vice Major C. B. Baldock.

Mr. Sayad Shams-ud-din Sayad Mian Kadri, B. A., to be a member of the Civil and Military Examination Committee for examining candidates in Persian, continuing to be Secretary to the said Committee and a member of it for examining candidates in Urdu and Gujarati.

Vice Mr. R. M. Kennedy, I. C. S., retired:—The Honourable Mr. A. C. Logan, I. C. S., to be First Grade Commissioner. The Honourable Mr. W. T. Morison, I. C. S., to be Second Grade Commissioner.

Messrs. N. H. Hey, I.C.S., and J. A. Shillidy, I. C. S., completely passed the Lower Standard Revenue Departmental Examination on 20th June.

Mr. G. R. Duxbury, Divisional Forest Officer, Nasik, is granted privilege leave for two months and eight days with effect from 20th July.

Mr. C. G. Henderson, I. C. S., to act as Manager, Sind Incumbered Estates, vice Mr. J. C. Ker, B. A. (Cantab.), I. C. S., pending further orders.

Mr. R. G. Gordon, I. C. S., on relief, to be Assistant Collector, Ahmedabad.

License to grant certificates of marriages between Native Christians is granted to the following officer of the Religious Society known as "The Salvation Army":—Mr Arthur Robert Blowers.

License to solemnize marriages is hereby granted to the Revered H. C. Schoberg of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The services of Mr. J. C. Ker, I. C. S., are placed at the disposal of the Government of India.

Mr. E. Guppy to be Inspector of Steam Boilers and Prime Movers with effect from the 26th July, vice Mr. G. H. Sharwell, with Aden as the local extent of his duties.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointment on his personal staff with effect from the forenoon of the 28th July:—Lieutenant A. F. Hamilton, M. B., F. R. C. S., I. M. S., to be Medical Officer.

On return from leave Mr. H. Wray, Assistant Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent, and Executive Engineer, 3rd Grade, temporary rank, is appointed Executive Engineer, Fuleli Canals District.

On relief by Mr. Wray, Mr. F. Wright, Executive Engineer, 1st Grade, is transferred to the Satara District.

On relief by Mr. Wright, Mr. E. W. Proctor Sims, Temporary Engineer, is appointed to hold charge of the office of the Executive Engineer, Kanara District.

On relief by Mr. Proctor Sims, Mr. Bangalore Krishnarav, B. A., L. C. E., Executive Engineer, 2nd Grade, is transferred to the Western Nara District.

On relief by Mr. Bangalore Krishnarav, Mr. A. B. deSouza, L. C. E., Assistant Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent, and Executive Engineer, 3rd Grade, temporary rank, is transferred for work under the Superintending Engineer on Special Duty.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, AUGUST 15.

The depression which was yesterday at the head of the Bay travelled westward to the boundary between Orissa and the Central Provinces and it is likely to move further in the same general direction. Under its influence the Monsoon has given moderately heavy rain in Orissa, the Central Provinces, Central India and east of the Central districts of the United Provinces.

The rainfall due to the Bay current has been very scanty except in Burma and the immediate vicinity of the depression, while the Arabian Sea current has again given widespread rain in Hyderabad, Bombay and the Deccan.

The local disturbance in the extreme north has been the cause of rain in Upper Sind, South-West Punjab, North-West Frontier Province and Kashmir and has also caused moderate to thick cloud over the last two areas and the whole of the Punjab.

In Burma, nearly general rain has fallen. Tavoy reports three inches, Moulmein two, Monywa and Maymymo half, Lashio one and a half and Myitkyina one.

In North-East India and Orissa, the rainfall has been general in Orissa, Chota Nagpur and South Bihar and local in Deltaic Bengal. The principal amounts were Sangor Island one inch, Ranchi one and a half, False Point three-quarters, Cuttack one and Sambalpur five.

In the United Provinces, Central India and Central Provinces nearly general rain occurred in the Central Provinces, Central India and central districts of the United Provinces. Cawnpore records one inch, Agra four, Mainpuri two, Bareilly half, Jhansi and Nowgong three-quarters, Raipure one, Chanda two, Pendra and Nagpur one and a half, Seoni three-quarters, Jubbulpore one and a half, Saugor three, Pachmarbi two and Hoshangabad three-quarters.

In North-West India rain has fallen in the South-West Punjab Frontier Province and Kashmir and a few falls occurred in Rajputana and Upper Sind. Simla and Montgomery had half an inch, Multan two, Gulmarg half, Kotah two and Jacobabad a quarter.

In the Peninsula, nearly general rain has fallen on the West Coast, in Bombay the Deccan and Hyderabad, the chief amounts being Masulipatam half an inch, Hyderabad three-quarters, Gulbarga and Nizamabad one, Raichur and Kurnool half, Poona and Belgaum one, Bombay one and a half, Mangalore two, Mercara three and Calicut one and a half.

Nearly general rain is probable on the Burma Coast, Rajputana, Central India, Central Provinces, Hyderabad, Bombay, the Deccan, and West Coast of the Peninsula and local rain in the interior of Burma, North-East India, the United Provinces, the Punjab, Kashmir and Gujarat. Owing to the depression the rainfall in the central parts of the country is likely to be moderate to heavy.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS

15TH AUGUST.

Amritsar.—Looks like rain. Food-grains and cotton plants want fine weather.

Hansi.—Looks like rain. Cotton plants want fine weather. Crop prospects generally good.

Mooltan.—Rain general over district. Cloudy, but no rain. Looks like clearing up. Cotton healthy. Considerable improvement in crops perceptible.

Delhi.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants flourishing.

Agra.—Continues cloudy with slight drizzle. Cotton plants want fine weather.

Cawnpore.—Seasonable. All crops doing well.

Bewar.—Looks like rain. Cotton plants flourishing.

Amraoti.—Break needed generally. All crops doing well.

Khangaon.—Continues cloudy with slight drizzle. Cotton plants want fine weather. Food-grains doing well.

Dhulia.—Continues cloudy with slight drizzle. Cotton plants look well but fine weather wanted for weeding. Food-grains doing well.

Jalgaon.—Showery. Has every appearance of a continued fall. Cotton plants want fine weather. Food grains doing well.

Broach.—Looks like rain. Rain general over district. Continues cloudy. Cotton plants want fine weather. Cotton plants slightly damage by too much rain.

Viramgam.—Showery. Break needed generally.

Wadhwan.—Sufficient rain fallen generally. Break needed generally. Cotton plants flourishing. Cotton sowing making good progress.

Dholera.—Break needed generally. Continues cloudy with slight drizzle.

Bhavnagar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Showery. Break needed generally. Cotton plants want fine weather.

Baret.—Continues cloudy. Break needed generally. Cotton plants look well but fine weather wanted for weeding.

Sholapur.—Showery. Sufficient rain fallen generally to enable agricultural operations getting a fair start.

Hubli.—Continues cloudy.

Bellary.—Continues cloudy. Cotton plants want more rain.

RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla.		Mahe.		Fort		Colaba.	
	In Cts.		In. Cts.		In. Cts.		In. Cts.	
Previously registered	93	55	89	70	93	73	93	46
Thursday, 15th Aug. 1907	0	82	1	09	1	22	1	33
Total	94	37	90	79	91	95	94	79
Total to date, 1906	33	79	34	77	38	41	33	78

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CUMBALLA HILL, AUG. 15.

Rainfall up to 8 a.m.

	Last 24 Hours.		Total to Date.	
	In.	Cents.	In.	Cents.
Cumballa Hill	0	67	85	53

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, 15TH AUGUST.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has fallen briskly at Raipur and has changed irregularly and by small amounts elsewhere.

Winds are cyclonic in Central and United Provinces, south-easterly at Delhi and south-westerly to north-westerly in most other places. The force has been strong in Cutch and at Veraval, Amraoti, Akola, Bombay, Poona, Ratnagiri, Bijapur, Bangalore and Masulipatam and fresh to light elsewhere.

Temperature.—The maximum is 5° to 7° in excess of normal at Cawnpore and Jhansi and 5° to 12° in defect in Berar and at Hoshangabad, Khandwa, Nagpur Malegaon, Ahmednagar, Aurangabad, Sholapur, Bijapur, Mormugao, Bangalore, Hyderabad (Deccan), Masulipatam, Bellary, Cuddapah and Coimbatore. The highest temperature in the shade was 102° at Jacobabad and the lowest 64° at Bangalore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is densely clouded in almost all districts. Humidity shows a moderate to considerable increase above normal at Colombo, Trichinopoly, Hyderabad (Deccan), Bijapur, Khandwa, Raipur, Nagpur, Amraoti, Bhuj, Rajkot, Neemuch, Akola, Malegaon, Ahmednagar, Sholapur, Jhansi, Jacobabad, Jaipur and Lahore.

Rain.—Forty-two stations received rain, the principal falls being 4·30" at Agra, 2·80" at Saugor, 2·48" at Mangalore, 1·65" at Nagpur, 1·55" at Calicut, 1·34" at Jubbulpore, 1·33" at Bombay, 1·12" at Poona, 1·10" at Aurangabad and an inch or about an inch at Cawnpore and Belgaum.

Weather.—The depression mentioned in yesterday's report has increased in intensity and its centre this morning was so me where to the north-east of Raipur.

Winds are cyclonic round about the depression and weather is equally and unsettled over the greater part of the country lying to the north of latitude 15°. Rain is to be expected over a large area. The depression shows a tendency to move westwards.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

MR. GORDON-WALKER'S SUCCESSOR.

Financial Commissioner of the Punjab.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, AUGUST 15.

A Press *Communique* has been received to the effect that when Mr. Gordon-Walker retires in November. He will be succeeded in the Financial Commissionership of the Punjab by Mr. J. Wilson, Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Revenue and Agriculture.

Mr. Parker Woodbury, a well-known New York banker, has given orders for the erection of a private dwelling on Long Island for his own use, to be constructed entirely of glass. An elaborate arrangement of outside blinds will modulate the sunlight when necessary.

BY THE WAY.

THE BELGIAN CARSMEN.

The victory of the Belgian crew has not passed unhonoured in the sportsmen's own country. A few days ago at Ghent (writes a correspondent) I happened to witness a remarkable and almost national demonstration in celebration of the victory. The main street of the city was ablaze with light and flags, and the conquering heroes could scarcely get through the dense crowds which idolised them. The grand trophy, the cup, was on view in the street, with scores of photographs of the crew and the scenes of the encounter. Hundreds of congratulatory telegrams from societies and individuals were shown, and attracted dense crowds. There was not a sporting society in Belgium which had not joined in the general jubilation.

A CEMETERY BALL.

Life is very dull in a certain small Colorado town, and a writer in "Collier's Weekly" gives a piquant description of the "liveliest event from a social standpoint" they ever had there. It was a Christmas-eve ball for the benefit of a cemetery. "On the handbills the two prominent words 'ball,' in scarlet, and 'cemetery,' in black, for the space of two weeks decorated the rocky walls of canons and glared down from dusty buildings, reminding us daily that in the midst of life we are in death. One man demurred. . . . As he said: 'What do we want of a cemetery here? Not one of us lives here because he wants to;

GREEN ROOM GOSSIP.

A THEATRE AND A BALLAD.

TIME was when the obscurity of the Royalty Theatre was a fact in the days of our fathers people who had seats for the Royalty used to start from their homes with an extra hour to spare, for fear they, or their cabmen, might strike Soho at the wrong point, and become lost in its mazes, like W. S. Gilbert's "Policeman Peter Forth."

The haughty boy, too proud to ask,
To find his way resolved,
And in the tangle of his task
Got more and more involved.

That was what happened to people in Soho who were *not* haughty, and who *did* ask; but to come to the theatre itself, the mystery (mystery no longer) of its precise whereabouts was immortalised in those lines of "Bab" which described the eventual discovery of Peter by exploring gangs:—

And in a yard, dark, and drear,
They found him on the floor—
It leads from Richmond Buildings—near
The Royalty state-door.

But all this was many years before men with pick-axes and shovels cleared the way for Shaftesbury Avenue; in the days when the man who wanted to get from Tottenham Court Road to Charing Cross at midnight had to choose between the certainty of being robbed of his watch by an Englishman in Seven Dials and the chance of being robbed of his life by an Italian in Poland Street; when the great factory of Crosse & Blackwell was itself hidden from mortal eye, so that mortal nose for ages wondered where on earth the strong smell of pickles came from, and women who passed the spot in omnibuses glared angrily at each other's parcels and hoped that if the bottle *had* broken the contents would confine its travels to the dress of the creature who had been so stupid as to sit upon her shopping.

DISCOVERED.

But to-day the Royalty Theatre—the *New* Royalty Theatre, is an open secret. Its position on the map of London is known to everyone. You do not now have to say to the stranger who asks you to direct him to it, "Go along Oxford Street until you come to a smell of pickles, turn sharply into the thick of it, and then give yourself up to the police." Thanks to the Streets Improvements Act, it has become as easy to tell the stranger the way to the Royalty as it would be to direct him from Charing Cross Station to Trafalgar Square. All roads lead to the New Royalty Theatre, and all Tubes and all motor-buses seem to run under and over them. It has stood its ground until a neighbourhood of fashionable theatres has crept up to its side. It is the seed of the crop. It is the bulb that has come "out of the darkness into the light," and brought surprises with it. If "Policeman Peter Forth" were to lose himself in Soho to-day, he would be lucky indeed to fall exhausted at the New Royalty stage door. For here he would be discovered at once, and sent home safely to his sorrowing inspector.

THE NEW ROYALTY'S NEW AUTHOR.

Mr. J. Storer Clouston, the author of "The Pocket Miss Hercules," is lucky in being related, even distantly, to a gentleman who wrote a bad play. Such a calamity rarely happens in one family twice. The only occurrence to equal it in unlikeliness would be a double event of the reverse sort. If Mr. Clouston's relative had written a strong play, it would have been all up with "The Pocket Miss Hercules" from the very start. However good it might have been—and distinctly good it is—it could never have stood against the ruinous foregone conclusions of old-established theory. It would have had to fail, if only to oblige the London agents of a worldwide tradition. But Mr. J. Storer Clouston's relative fortunately for all concerned at the New Royalty, was the author of an utter failure. His name was Smith—it might have been better for him had it been Jones—and his effort was hissed off the stage at Drury Lane in 1782. Mr. Smith was from the Orkneys. Soon after the Drury Lane incident he was from London.

MAGDALEN AND MUSICAL COMEDY.

Mr. Clouston, who is the only dramatist from the Orkneys since Mr. Smith, (the Orkneys having laid low and said nothing after their Mr. Smiths fiasco), began learning things at a public school in Scotland. Passing from there to Magdalen College, Oxford, Mr. Clouston soon fell under the influence of the usual University craze for theatricals, and distinguished himself by writing a musical comedy. He modestly says that he did little else besides this at Magdalen; but as one cannot very well be called to the Bar, as Mr. Clouston was, through studying the art of giving a new dress and a new title to the ancient plot, and a new turn to its contemporary joke, it may not be involving conjecture in rash and hazardous speculation to assume that in his spare time he occasionally devoted himself to matters of minor academic importance—such, for instance, as the study of the law's records from a period more or less removed from the present year of grace. Yet, in his Temple chambers, his efforts to get into the "silk" were not of a strictly legal order. It is confessed on his behalf, and I hope with his sanction, that he did nothing particular here but rewrite the Oxford musical comedy and read it to his laundress, who wept over the love passages between the baritone hero and the soprano heroine and strongly advised him to write a real play. So Mr. J. Storer Clouston wrote "The Pocket Miss Hercules."

THE PRODUCER.

Mr. Hubert Druce, who is the producer of the new play at the New Royalty, can date back the establishment of a theatrical career to the time when he was thirteen years of age. He built and painted the scenery for an amateur production in the drawing-room of his home, and in some mysterious fashion, known only to those who go in for theatricals seriously, managed to run up a bill of costs against his father for £40. As an old pupil of the University College School, which had the honour of "preparing" no less a personage than Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, Mr. Druce now sees that his "tariff" needed some slight reform; but £40 per production was his price then, and like a well and truly laid manager he stuck to it and got it—and then did not stick to it for very long. Immediately upon leaving the University College School, where his contemporaries included Mr. Norman Forbes (Mr. Forbes Robertson's brother) and Mr. Hayden Coffin, Mr. Hurbert Druce went upon the stage, one of the first things he learnt there being that it was easier to earn £40 at amateur theatricals in a fortnight than it was to pick up that sum at professional theatricals in a whole year. But he was an enthusiast, or he would not be in his present position at the New Royalty, and was not to be dismayed. Joining touring company after touring company, and meeting with the customary list of hardships at every chop and change—and getting about as near to £40 in a fortnight as explorers have got to the North Pole in a hundred years—Mr. Druce went in for every variety of part, before and behind the curtain, and eventually, after having performed something like 350 separate and distinct (more or less) characters, appeared as the low comedy gentleman in "The Sign of the Cross," and played him 987 times. He might have played it a thousand times, but the balance of thirteen being an unlucky number, and one which probably brought back to him the uncomfortable remembrance that this was his age when he got £40 out of his poor father for scenery and sundries in conection with his first "production," he was content to let well alone, and to let the record rest at 987. It is Mr. Hubert Druce's ambition to manage three theatres, and to produce four new plays a year at each. This is just the sort of man that proprietors of theatres and writers of plays like to meet. His popularity with them is assured. And if he goes on in the way he has begun he will certainly have the attentive friendship of London's endless playgoers to add to his conquests.

MR. EDWARD COMPTON IN LONDON.

That sound and practised actor, Mr. Edward Compton, to whom the ghosts of Sheridan and Lord Lytton and Sheridan Knowles, to say nothing of that of William Shakespeare, owe so much of their grateful thanks for the perpetuation of their substance, is so seldom in London that no one can be surprised at his making a big experiment when he does come among us. His season at the St. James's, is a very big experiment indeed. The play is remarkable and the cost of its production no less so. It concerns the romance of a noble family of yesterday (1745) and of to-day. It is a combination of a "frock-coat and trousers" play (to use a Referee-ism) and a sword and satin breeches play. We are to see Mr. Edward Compton as Nicholas the ninth Earl of Laidlaw and as Nicholas the fourth Earl of Laidlaw. All the characters of the modern portion of this extraordinary piece are appearing during the evening both as themselves and their ancestors. It is to be a great dramatic comparison between the modes and manners and emotions of the "good old times" we sigh for, and paint on canvas, and sing about in ballads, and write about in books, and the times we live in—with the accent on the "live."

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

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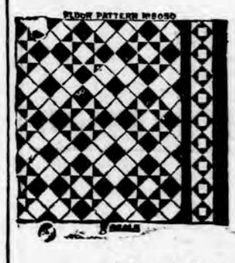

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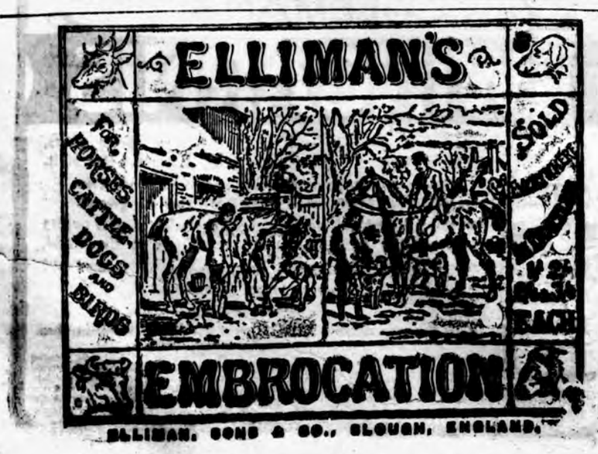

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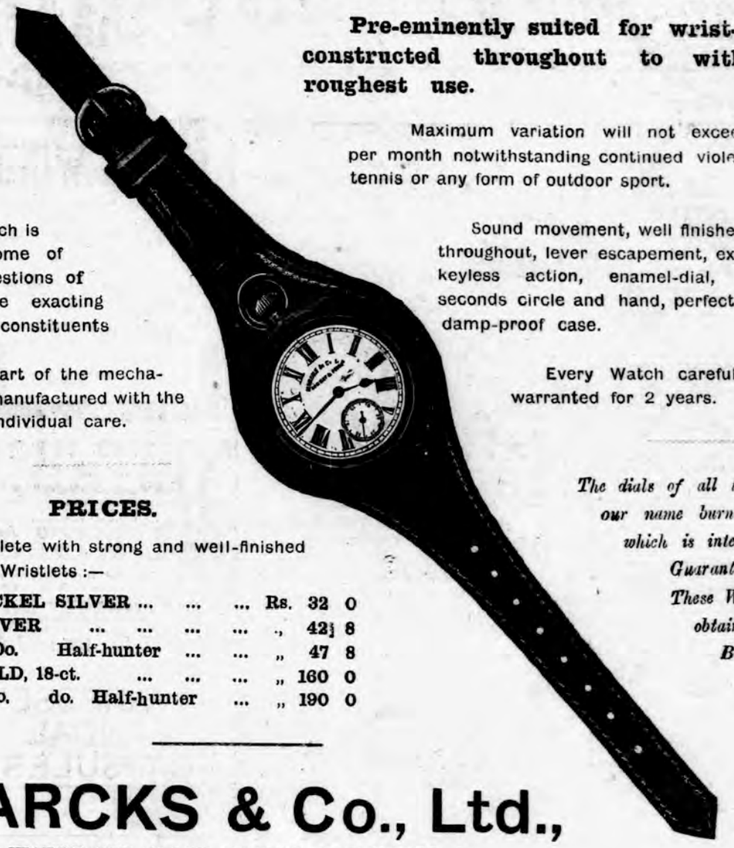

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